

Radio's analysis of Machel's tactics (Excerpts from "Voice of Free Africa" radio comment entitled "The opening note") [Words indistinct] magarila [pejorative nickname from gorilla] Machel has said that his hated clique has decided to solve the situation created in Mozambique by the irresponsible policy of attacking and supporting attacks against Zimbabwe. . . . If today Mozambique is attacked by the Rhodesian army, the blame falls solely on the Machelists themselves, because it is they who provoke the retaliatory attacks on Ian Smith. Every responsible government knows perfectly well that if it provokes a foreign country, it has to bear the consequences. If the irresponsible government of the Machelists does not think on these lines, it is because it is composed of donkeys or dunces. Observers have asked themselves about Machel's final objective questioning, among other things, why the Machelists did not inform Mozambique and the world about the grave situation which their country has been facing for a long time. Other observers have asked themselves why the UN Security Council meeting was not called before the number of dead and wounded reached 1,950, although Machel's own figure is 1,959?

All these various observers have found the answer to these interesting questions. The fact is that Machelism is making use of the Zimbabwean problem to collect some millions of escudos, while, at the same time, it is using the Mozambican people as [words indistinct]. We should not forget that Machelism has long been using the Zimbabwean problem as a means of survival, because the irresponsible Machelists are incapable of solving the problems of the administration of Mozambique. We remind you of the demagogic intent behind the closure of the border with Rhodesia, which came nine months after independence. It was occasioned by the Machelists' dreams of financial rewards for such an act, and it has nothing heroic about it. After a year, the Machelists concluded that solidarity was an empty word. Thus they made use of the victims of the Machelist policy itself in an attempt to collect the said millions of escudos, which have been put by Machel at over 400,000 contos. There is, therefore, no doubt that the Machelists are not concerned with the lives of the Mozambican people and (?they do not hesitate) to sacrifice them to obtain some millions of escudos. ("Voice of Free Africa" in Portuguese 1800 gmt 20 Jun 77)

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