Surrender of 'armed bandits' in Mozambique

Maputo in Portuguese 1800 gmt 12 January 1984

The number of bandits who have surrendered to the Mozambican authorities with their weapons has increased significantly in the last three months. A source close to the army told Mozambique radio that this was due mainly to the offensive mounted by the Mozambique armed forces in all the provinces affected by banditry. Accordingly, during last year and particularly from September, our armed forces have progressively been occupying the forests and thus reducing the enemy's field of manoeuvre. It is worth noting that in recent days a number of bases of the armed bandits have been destroyed by our forces in different parts of the country.

Copyright (c) 1984 The British Broadcasting Corporation