

**Government military claims** (Excerpts) Six armed bandits were killed, and another six wounded, during an operation by the FPLM forces stationed in Gile district, Zambezia province. The operation culminated in the assault and destruction of an armed bandit camp in Palame, Mutape region. . . Four collaborators as well as an assortment of military equipment were captured during the operation. . . (Maputo in Portuguese 1030 gmt 24 Jul 86)

(Excerpt) Units of the Mozambican armed forces killed 92 armed bandits during operations carried out during the first two weeks of July in various parts of Milanje district in Zambezia province. The Milanje district administrator, who gave this information, added that as a result of these operations, tranquillity has already been restored to various parts of the district. . . (Maputo in Portuguese 1700 gmt 24 Jul 86)

[Note: Maputo home service reported (at 1400 gmt 24 Jul 86) that "units of the Mozambican armed forces this month killed 66 armed bandits in the Milanje district of Zambezia province."]

(Excerpt) . . . Following operations mounted [last month] in the provinces of Maputo, Inhambane and manica, our forces killed over 12 armed bandits, and captured a large number of these criminals, besides seizing a large quantity of war materiel. (Maputo in Portuguese 0605 gmt 27 Jul 86)

(Excerpt) About 137 people who were forced to live with armed bandits surrendered to the armed forces stationed in Chicomo, Massinga district, in Inhambane during June and July. Another 115 people living in areas under the influence of armed bandits also surrendered to the armed forces. . . (Maputo in Portuguese 1700 gmt 28 Jul 86)

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