

Mozambique: Security forces surprise "bandits", seize arms (Text) A group of armed bandits was driven away on Monday [29th December] from the Vundica region in Maputo province by the Mozambican Armed Forces. The bandit group was taken by surprise when it was digging up weapons in three arms caches in order to transfer them to another place. In the operation, our forces captured 41 boxes of ammunition for AKM light weapons, 70 rockets, 5 mortar shells and automatic weapons of various calibres. Sources in the military command told AIM that other war materiel was found by our forces in Vundica after the bandits fled in disarray. Vundica is a locality in Moamba district, about 50 km from the city of Maputo. (Maputo home service in Portuguese 1730 gmt 3 Jan 87)

(Text) A unit of the Mozambique Armed Forces killed 10 armed bandits between 23rd and 27th December in the Macanzane region, Manhica district, Maputo province. According to AIM there is a lack of weapons, ammunition and men among the bandits. The bandits do not build camps anymore because the Mozambican Armed Forces are carrying out a vast pursuit campaign against those criminals. (Maputo home service in Portuguese 0600 gmt 4 Jan 87)