

# Zimbabwean forces kill 400 MNR

ZIMBABWEAN security forces killed more than 400 Mozambican bandits during the year ended June 30, the Minister of State (Defence), Cde Ernest Kadungure, said.

"Our forces are doing a marvellous job in Mozambique," he said in the Assembly during the debate on the Presidential speech.

He said it was necessary, in order to defend Zimbabwe's routes to the sea, to attack the bases of the bandits, which might be several kilometres from the Beira Corridor.

It was also necessary to help Mozambique protect its sovereignty for the sake of preserving Zimbabwe's own sovereignty, independence and freedom.

Mozambican bandits recently murdered 11 Zimbabweans in Rushinga and blew up the main tea factory at Katiyo in the Honde Valley.

The South African-sponsored bandits were also responsible for numerous murders inside Mozambique. The latest incidents included the massacre of 382 peasants at the central town of Homoine.

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