

REPORTS OF MNR EATING HUMAN FLESH INCREASE

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REPORTS of cannibalism practised by South African sponsored MNR bandits have increased in the last few months.

People who have been displaced from their villages in Sofala province, and are now living in Sena, told "Diario de Mocambique" newspaper that the bandits are eating human beings, particularly children.

Inacio Joao used to live in a village in Chaattala, some 25 km from Sena. He said six children had disappeared "mysteriously".

"Later we came to know that the bandits had taken the opportunity of their mothers being temporarily away to bayonet the children to death after which they were cooked and mixed with beans."

Campiripiri Tomo told of another case at Cambiadao village. There, the bandits took a child from his mother, cut him to pieces and ate him. The child was still breast-feeding.

"These cases show the monstrosity of these agents of Pretoria," the administrator of Sena, Lt. Jose Macharuca, said.

Lt. Macharuca said he had received similar reports from people, who had run away from bandit camps.

The Mozambican authorities have often, in the past, alerted international public opinion to the methods of total brutalisation which the bandits undergo in their South African training.

Such methods include the wide usage of hallucinogenic drugs to condition the bandits to all kinds of atrocities.

Last Tuesday, the MNR bandits murdered at least nine people and wounded a further six in an attack on the town of Inharrime in the southern Mozambican Province of Inhambane. — Ziana-AIM-Pana.

Note: in a ZTV documentary broadcast in late August, these allegations were repeated by an interviewee who was not himself an eye-witness. The interviewee spoke in ChiSena [?] which was translated via Shona into English. He stated that a child had been "roasted" and eaten.

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