

PM condemns call for troop pullout

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THE Prime Minister, Cde Mugabe, yesterday condemned those who called for the withdrawal of Zimbabwean troops from Mozambique as this would force Zimbabwe to rely on apartheid South Africa.

"When some people stupidly say that we should withdraw our forces from Mozambique they want the MNR and South Africa to take over Mozambique and that we depend on South Africa," the Prime Minister said when accepting \$2 108 from management and workers of the WRS group of companies.

The money would be used to buy gifts for the troops guarding the Beira Corridor.

Without these forces, said Cde Mugabe, Zimbabwe would not have fuel and the vital alternative trade and transport routes linking it with the outside world.

The WRS gift was a comfort to the troops, es-

pecially in this season, enhanced the protection of the vital routes.

The group personnel manager, Cde Vitalis Mukosera, gave \$2 000 on behalf of management and the chairman of the workers committee, Cde Shadreck Mujuru, gave \$108 on behalf of the workers.

Cde Mugabe hoped other companies would follow suit.

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