

Mozambique reports more than 18 "bandits" killed in Machaze district *(Text)* The Mozambique armed forces stationed in Machaze district in Manica province have killed more than 18 armed bandits since January. During this time, another armed bandit was captured in Sabasoga [phonetic] in the administrative area of Save in Machaze. Sebastiao Renga, District Political Commissar, told Radio Mozambique in Chimoio that more than 20 bandits were killed in that district last year following mopping-up operations, and over 1,000 people were freed from the criminals' captivity. From January to March this year, the FPLM forces in Machaze freed over 90 peasants who were forced to live with the armed bandits. *(Maputo home service in Portuguese 1730 gmt 25 Apr 88)*