Renamo Communique Reports GDR Sailors Captured LD3108161188 Hamburg DPA in German 1522 GMT 31 Aug 88

[Text] Lisbon, [no date as received] (DPA)—The anti-Marxist guerilla organization Renamo, which operates in Mozambique, has today announced the capture of three sailors from a GDR freighter as well as that of three further crew members from Kenya and the Cape Verde Islands, in Lisbon. The sailors had been taken prisoner by the guerillas as they were navigating toward the coast 300 km northeast of Maputo in a dinghy from the GDR freighter. They had intended to make contact with officers from government troops there.

As the Renamo communique goes on to say, the GDR freighter had previously transported weapons to Kenya for Yusuf Hassan's guerilla organization. It said that the Kenyan guerillas were being supported by Mozambique.