7,000 Flee Inhaminga After Renamo Attack *MB0311170088 Dakar PANA in English 1643 GMT 3 Nov 88*

[Text] Beira (Mozambique), 3 Nov (AIM/PANA)— More than 7,000 people have arrived in Mozambique's Marromeu district on the south bank of the Zambezia River, after fleeing from the isolated town of Inhaminga, which was attacked by bandits of the South Africanbacked and U.S.-armed MNR on 19 October.

According to local officials, the bandit attack against Inhaminga at about 05:30 local time (03:30 GMT), and continued for several hours.

According to one survivor, in his group 53 people died of hunger and illness in the week that they were in the bush.