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Mozambique: MNR wreck railway line, derail train (ME/0308 B/5 - Text) South Africa's MNR bandits have destroyed 200 m of the railway line from the northern port of Nacala to the city of Nampula. The sabotage attack on the line took place on Friday [11th November], and a train travelling to Nampula was derailed. Railways officials say the bandits placed an explosive device on the track at a cave 53 km east of Nampula. There are no reports of casualties but the commander of the train's military escort, Antonio Nhenhe, lost two fingers on his left hand. The railway officials say the damage was not great and that the damaged part of the railway could be repaired fairly easily. (*Maputo in English for abroad 1800 gmt 14 Nov 88*)