

A former member of South Africa's MNR [Mozambican National Resistance] terrorist gangs who has surrendered to the Mozambican authorities has disclosed that there were five South African soldiers when he left an MNR base in the village of Chipunga [phonetic] in the central Mozambican province of Manica. The former terrorist, Moises Alberto Masacaja, says three of the soldiers were black and the other two were white.

He said South Africa's military personnel were responsible for training and giving morale to the bandits. The training involved was for the laying of mines on railways, transport [words indistinct] and electrical installations.

Masacaja also says two of the South African soldiers took part in the attack in December on the headquarters of Chibuto district in southern Mozambican province of Gaza. He says one South African soldier was killed at the end of last week during a clash with a unit of the Mozambican armed forces stationed in Chibuto. His body was immediately taken to the base, from where it was transported to South Africa.

The former MNR bandit says the other regions where South African soldiers were present with the MNR are Machangai [phonetic] and Buzi in Sofala province, and Machaze in Manica province. 1989

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