

South African envoys sent to *Renamo*

A team from South African State television, SABC, recently visited the headquarters of the *Renamo* in Mozambique in the region of Gorongosa. Journalist, Johan Kruger and his cameraman, Jan de Klerk, nephew of the South African President P. W. de Klerk, delivered new uniforms, which the *Renamo* leader Afonso Dhlakama tried on immediately, as well as various other gifts, including radio and navigation equipment worth 20,000 dollars.

The correspondent in Southern Africa for the British newspaper, *Independent on Sunday*, Chris McGrear, who accompanied the television team reported in the South African *Weekly Mail* that the SABC journalists were in fact on a mission for Eskom, the electricity company, which was to obtain the *Renamo* leader's promise to cease attacks on the pylons carrying electricity from Cabora Bassa dam. An Eskom spokesman, Dries Loots is said to have confirmed this information. The Cabora Bassa Joint Monitoring Committee (JMC) has been seeking an explicit pledge such as this from the leader of the *Renamo* as a first step towards its efforts to obtain the 200 million dollars required for the rehabilitation of the electricity grid.