

Rebels attack key aid project

John Carvel

REBEL Renamo forces have seized the Mozambican village of Namarroi, threatening the destruction of a development project regarded by the British aid charities as the model for regeneration after the 13-year civil war.

Christian Aid, which provided £500,000 over three years, said the attack was an attempt by Renamo to delay a peace agreement with the Frelimo government and improve its military position.

Television and newspaper reporters were taken in May to see redevelopment work in Namarroi, in Zambezia province.