

Food convoys threatened

The International Red Cross was still waiting midweek for agreement by the rebel movement Renamo not to attack its food convoys.

A convoy of food trucks moved from Mozambique to Zimbabwe, intending to reenter the country again at Massangena in Gaza Province. They have been waiting since last week for a guarantee by Renamo that it will not attack them.

On the other side Red Cross food airlifts to Renamo controlled areas in central Sofala Province have also been suspended by the local government.

In July in Rome the Maputo government and Renamo pledged to facilitate food relief operations. Evidence up to now is that this agreement is not being honoured by either side, while food relief supplies mount in warehouses in the cities and towns [Local reports]

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