

COMMUNIQUE ON VICTIMS

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The Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Frelimo Party, the Standing Commission of the People's Assembly, and the Council of Ministers of the People's Republic of Mozambique inform, with deep sorrow, that in the tragic event in which the President of the Frelimo Party and President of the People's Republic of Mozambique, Marshal Samora Moisés Machel, was a victim, the following members of the Presidential delegation also lost their lives :

Luís Maria de Alcantara Santos	- Minister of Transport and Communications
José Carlos Lobo	- Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs
Aquino de Bragança	- Director for the Centre for African Studies
Fernando Honwana	- Personal Assistant to His Excellency the President of the Republic
Alberto Cangaleta de Mendonça	- National Chief of Protocol
Muradali Mamadhussen	- Private Secretary to His Excellency the President of the Republic
João Tomas Navesse	- Assistant Director in the Directorate for Juridical and Consular Affairs in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Ivete Amos	- Secretary to His Excellency the President of the Republic
Osvaldo de Sousa	- Interpreter for English of His Excellency the President of the Republic
Bernardino Chiche	- Interpreter for French of His Excellency the President of the Republic
Gulamo Khan	- Press Attache in the Presidency of the Republic
Daniel Maquinasse	- Official Photographer of His Excellency the President of the Republic
Parente Manjate	- Employee of the Presidency
Naçir Charamandane	- Employee of the Presidency
Adão Gore Nhoca	- Employee of the Presidency
Eduardo Viegas	- Employee of the Presidency
Albino Falteira	- Employee of the Presidency
Alberto Chauque	- Employee of the Presidency
José Quivanhane	- Employee of the Presidency
Azariás Inguane	- Photographer with Noticias newspaper
Fernando Nhaquila	- Flight Engineer
Orlanda Garrine	- Stewardess
Ermeralda Luisa	- Stewardess
Sofia Arone	- Stewardess
Ilda Carão	- Stewardess

At the same time, the following internationalist workers perished :

Henriques Bettencourt	- Personal Physician to His Excellency the President of the Republic
Ulisses La Rosa Mesa	- Personal Physician to His Excellency the President of the Republic

Yuri Novodran	-	Captain of the aircraft
Igor Kartamychev	-	Co-pilot
Oleg Koudrianov	-	Flight Engineer
Anatoli Choupirov	-	Flight Engineer

Travelling with the Presidential delegation were Their Excellencies the Ambassadors of the Republic of Zambia and of the Republic of Zaire, Cox C. Sikumba and Tokwalu Batale Okulakama respectively, both accredited in the People's Republic of Mozambique, and who also perished in the disaster.

The following members of the Presidential delegation, some of whom are in serious condition, survived the tragic event : Eusebio Guido Martinho, Carlos Jambo, Fernando Manuel João, Almeida Pedro, Manuel Jairosse, Daniel Cuna, Jossefa Mochango, Vasco Langa, João Rendicão, Vladimir Novoselov.

The death of senior party and state leaders and officials constitutes an irreparable loss. The personality of these comrades, their dedication to the national liberation struggle, their contribution to efforts at national reconstruction of the country, and their militant engagement in the cause of their country and the revolution have made them well-known, valued and respected by all of us.

The wisdom, the experience, the youth and the generous commitment to the ideals of national liberation, of development of the country and of national defence constitute a living and enduring example that these comrades have left for ever in our memory. The sacrifice of their lives in the service of the people and the state of Mozambique is a continuation of the noble tradition of the heroes of our struggle.

The physical loss of these comrades in the struggle is felt with deep consternation by all the Mozambican people.

We also painfully feel the loss of the internationalist workers who, side by side with our people, struggled to bring about the common ideals of peace and prosperity.

On the death of the distinguished Ambassadors, the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Frelimo Party, the Standing Commission of the People's Assembly, and the Council of Ministers of the People's Republic of Mozambique offer their most profound condolences.

The Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Frelimo Party, the Standing Commission of the People's Assembly, and the Council of Ministers of the People's Republic of Mozambique share the deep sorrow of the bereaved families, to whom they offer most profound condolences.

A LUTA CONTINUA
(The struggle continues)

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