

# Fighters hail X Machel

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**WOMEN** veterans of the guerilla war against Portuguese colonialism on Tuesday paid homage to their former commander-in-chief, Mozambican President Samora Machel who died in an unexplained air crash.

The veterans, including founder members of the Frelimo women's detachment, laid a wreath at the monument to the Mozambican heroes, where President Machel is buried, and later presented their condolences to his widow, Graca Machel.

Women's detachment veteran Ode Colonel Marina Pachinuapa declared to Ode Graca Machel: "We veterans, friends, colleagues and daughters of Ode Machel during the armed struggle have come to tell you that we are with you in this grief that has shaken the Mozambican people. We will stay together for ever in continuing the work of Samora Machel." — Zana-Aim.