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● A peace plan put forward by the rebel Mozambique National Resistance (MNR) at peace talks in Nairobi with church leaders earlier this month has been dismissed by President Chissano. "The document has no meaning at all," Chissano was quoted as saying by the official news agency AIM on 26 August. He added that the plan showed there is still "a lack of understanding," among MNR leaders. The 16-point proposal demands, among other things, the withdrawal of foreign troops from Mozambique. The rebels were referring to the estimated 12,000 Zimbabwean troops who are helping to protect vital trade routes (AED 28:8:89; 21:8:89).