

Mozambican Prime Minister comments on negotiations with MNR and the re-opening of Nacala railway (ME/0615 B/4) Radio France Internationale reported on 15th November that Mozambican Prime Minister Mario Machungo, commenting in Paris on the current deadlock in negotiations between the government and MNR leaders, stated that he is ready to open negotiations "on the condition that they recognise the established order in Mozambique, the constitution". During his visit to France, at the invitation of the World Bank, Mario Machungo also said that the MNR would have to "stop terrorism; stop actions of destruction and massacre of [the] population in Mozambique and co-operate with the Mozambican authorities to establish peace". The radio reported on the 16th that the Prime Minister had met his French counterpart and was due to have talks that day with French co-operation officials. Machungo confirmed that the question of possible contributions by France towards the re-opening of the Nacala railway would be discussed, and that agreement had been reached with the French authorities that "they should grant the officers to train the Mozambican soldiers" within Mozambique. 1989 NOV. 18