

**Mozambique authorities dismiss mediation reports (ME/0637 ii)** The Mozambique government on 13th December dismissed reports that the mediators in the Mozambique peace process (Presidents Moi and Mugabe) supported negotiations between the government and the "armed bandits", Radio Mozambique (Maputo) reported the following day. A government source quoted by the radio reiterated the validity of the 12 principles outlined by the government, the acceptance of which by the MNR was required before there could be direct negotiations between the two sides. The radio recalled that the claim that the mediators supported negotiations had been made in Nairobi by MNR leader Dhlakama.

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