

# Team to supervise implementation of Maputo pact meets

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THE joint verification commission set up to supervise the implementation of the December 1 agreement between the Mozambican government and the MNR bandits met in Maputo yesterday morning under the chairmanship of the Italian Ambassador to Mozambique, Mr Manfredo di Camerana.

This was the third meeting of the commission: the first two took place earlier this month in Rome, where the commission was sworn into office on December 19.

The December 1 agreement restricts Zimbabwean forces in Mozambique to the Beira and Limpopo corridors, in the centre and south of the country. These are the crucial rail and road links between Zimbabwe and the ports of Beira and Maputo. Under the agreement, the bandits have pledged to halt all attacks on the two corridors.

The commission includes three members each from Mozambique, Zimbabwe and the MNR, as well as the mediators or their envoys with the Italian government, the mediators are the Catholic Archbishop of Beira, the Most Rev Jaime Goncalves, and representatives of the Catholic Lay Charity, the Santo Egidio Community, in whose

Rome headquarters the peace talks between the Mozambican government and the MNR have been held.

Eight other countries, agreed between the government and the bandits, have seats on the commission. They are the Soviet Union, the United States, Britain, France, Congo, Zambia, Kenya and Portugal.

Mr di Camerana said that yesterday's meeting would inform commission members who had not been present of the questions raised in Rome to which answers are awaited from the government and from the MNR.

Mr di Camerana announced that a military sub-commission had been established to follow the operations envisaged under the December 1 agreement. The main such operation is the movement of Zimbabwean troops into the corridors.

Sitting beside Mr Di Camerana at yesterday's meeting were the Catholic Bishop of Chimoio, the Rt Rev Francisco Silota, and the head of the Mozambican delegation, Maj-Gen Salvador Mutumuque, head of operations in the Mozambican general staff, and the head of the MNR team, Pascoe Jose. — Ziana-Pana.