Renamo signs aid accord

ROME. — The Mozambican Government has signed an accord with Renamo rebels for the safe passage of humanitarian aid through the country, mediators said.

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The accord also calls for the setting up of a committee, unider the auspices of the United Nations, to co-ordinate and distribute food and other aid. Aid has been reaching Mozambique's main cities but has not filtered through to rural areas.

The government and Renamo (Mozambican National Resistance) have met on and off here for two years and have signed a number of accords natrowing their differences.

But they have yet to reach agreement on a ceasefire in the 16-year civil war which has killed more than 1-million people. — Sapa-Reuter