

Renamo 'set for new offensive'

MAPUTO. — Renamo rebels are preparing for a fresh offensive in the Central Mozambican province of Zambezia, according to a report on Radio Mozambique.

The radio said that three Renamo battalions were being trained in the Morrumbala district, which borders Malawi, in preparation for attacks on the districts of Mocuba and Nicoadala and that 700 men had been infiltrated via Malawi.

At the weekend, Mozambican authorities notified the UN of violations of the ceasefire by Renamo.

The government's chief negotiator, Transport Minister Armando Guebuza, said Renamo had seized Namaponda, Mboila and Namatoria, in the coastal district of Angoche, since December and there were fears that the capital, also Angoche, would be attacked. — Argus Africa News Service.