

UN appeals for timetable

The UN Security Council last week appealed to Mozambique's government and rebel Renamo forces to lay out a precise timetable for the speedy demobilisation of their armed forces and to set a fresh election date.

In a resolution unanimously adopted Wednesday, the council expressed "serious concern" over the delays in the general peace accord, particularly the process of demobilisation.

Mozambique's UN ambassador Pedro Commissario told the council that the ceasefire which has held for six months was tenuous.

Under the peace agreement, 70,000 government troops and 20,000 Renamo forces are to be mustered at 49 assembly points for demobilisation under UN supervision.