

Afonso Dhlakama

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According to information from *Renamo* headquarters, at Maringue in central Mozambique, the movement's leader, Afonso Dhlakama, is increasingly out on a limb with his hierarchy. On one side stands Vicente Ululo, who is to head up *Renamo*'s electoral campaign and is considered to be fairly moderate; some *Renamo* officials even suspect him of double-dealing and working along with the government. Ululo is from the *Maconde* tribe and is the nephew of defence minister Alberto Chipande; he also has good relations with general Pachinuapa in the cabinet of head of state Joaquim Chissano and with other government officials from the *Maconde* tribe who regularly visit him at home. Dhlakama can therefore fear that Ululo's loyalty towards his tribe may get the upper hand over loyalty to *Renamo*'s interests. On another level, Raul Domingos, who is *Renamo*'s principal negotiator and the man who will be in charge of Dhlakama's presidential campaign, is seen as very close to South African circles. The same splits are found among officials in *Renamo*'s intelligence service, where Mateus Ngwenyeny is reported to have excellent relations with military members of Mozambique's government; he is also pushing very hard for the rapid creation of a unified army.