

270 hostages held

MAPUTO — About 200 Renamo mutineers were holding 270 people hostage in central Manica province after blocking the main national highway on Saturday, Mozambique Justice Minister Ussmane Ali Dauto said. About 70 cars had been forced to drive to the former rebel-held town of Dombe, 50km away.

It was reported that the mutineers were demanding food and a demobilisation point in Dombe.

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