

Chissano impresses Botha *Informafrika*

South African President **Pieter Botha** was highly impressed by Mozambican President **Joaquim Chissano** whom he met in September at Songo in central Mozambique.

Botha heaped praise on Chissano during talks in Lisbon two weeks ago with Portuguese Prime Minister **Aníbal Cavaco Silva**, describing the Mozambican as a "man of his word in whom we can trust."

As a result of his favourable impression Botha got personally behind a scheme to step up economic relations between the two countries.

A priority part of this plan is to restore Maputo harbour to full operation again and South Africa has pledged once again to make fuller use of Maputo. In earlier times Maputo was the principal and closest outlet for the Witwatersrand industrial complex. 1(13) 29 Oct. 88 p.3