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■ I WISH to add my voice to those of fellow writers, scientists, journalists and others in Mozambique in their appeal to President De Klerk (*Weekly Mail*, January 20) to put an end to South African support for Renamo. It is not enough to wash one's hands of South Africa's shameful past involvement in the destabilization of Mozambique by disclaiming any present involvement of the South African government and its official forces in Renamo's continuing destruction of the people and land in Mozambique.

If the South African government is not supporting Renamo, other forces in South Africa are. De Klerk has the power and country-wide network resources to seek out individuals or clandestine agencies who, evidence is clear, continue to arm and supply Renamo's brutal and senseless campaign of pillage and murder.

Are such individuals and agencies above the law? Is it not — all considerations of humanity apart — a crime against the sovereignty of a neighbouring country to turn a blind eye while these people promote the devastation of that country? Is theirs not an act of sabotage against De Klerk's own policy of promoting peace in Southern Africa? —  
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