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**Sir Geoffrey Howe in Mozambique (ME/0260 ii)** The British Foreign Secretary's visit on 18th September to the town of Magude on the Limpopo railway line, where he inspected Mozambican soldiers trained by British instructors in Zimbabwe, was reported by Maputo radio. It quoted Howe as saying Britain would continue to provide support and training to guarantee security along the railway line until at least 1991.

The radio also reported a meeting in Magude district later on the 18th with civilians displaced by war at which Howe was said to have responded to the welcoming cheers of the crowd by raising both arms in the air and shouting: "Long live the friendship between the people of Britain and the people of Mozambique!" The radio said that during his visit, Howe had warned South Africa to respect the sovereignty of its neighbours.