

**Resumption of exports through Maputo** (Text) Zimbabwe this week moved an initial independence consignment of exports through Maputo for the first time since the outlet was cut off during the liberation war. A shipment of 1,100 tonnes of sugar and 5,000 tonnes of steel which would normally have gone through South Africa was instead sent through Maputo.

Official forecast an average yearly export flow through Mozambique of about 350,000 tonnes of steel and 160,000 tonnes of sugar from Zimbabwe. Agents for Zimbabwe's Iron and Steel Corporation and for the company sugar sales said all their exports would transit through Mozambique once the Limpopo rail link between the two countries is fully repaired. (Salisbury in English 1115 gmt 1 May 80)