

Mugabe Pledges Mozambique Aid

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HARARE, Zimbabwe — Zimbabwean troops will stay in Mozambique until trade routes to the sea are secure, President Robert Mugabe pledged on Tuesday. Opening a new session of Parliament, Mr. Mugabe said that the troops would "remain in that country until the enemy is neutralized".

The Zimbabwean troops, believed to number at least 7,000, are mostly deployed in the corridor leading to the port of Beira. They support forces of the Maputo government, which is fighting the rebel Mozambican National Resistance Movement.