

Beira Rally Addresses

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[Text] Zimbabwean President Robert Mugabe has blamed the Pretoria regime for the thousands of Mozambicans affected by hunger and a lack of clothing. He was speaking at a rally in Beira, the capital of Sofala Province, today. President Mugabe and his Mozambican counterpart, President Joaquim Alberto Chissano, visited Beira today.

President Joaquim Chissano spoke at the opening of the rally. He referred to the Zimbabwean people's efforts for their country's development. He stressed that Zimbabwean people are self-sufficient and do not need to rely on donations. President Joaquim Chissano also called on all Mozambicans to become involved in preparations for the holding of the Frelimo Party's Fifth Congress.

In Sofala Province, the two heads of state visited Beira harbor. They were impressed with the advanced stage of the work on that project of the Beira corridor. In fact, during the first 6 months of 1988, Beira harbor handled 16 percent more cargo than over the same period last year.

President Robert Mugabe also expressed his country's support for Mozambique. He added that Zimbabwe will use Beira harbor whenever possible.

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