

MOZAMBIQUE

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Dear _____, Friend of Mozambique,

In coordination with Mozambique support groups in Europe, Canada and Australia, we want to increase the pressure on the RENAMO bandits and their sponsors to end the violence and negotiate seriously with the Mozambique Government.

We feel that now is the time for a concerted effort to pressure those governments and groups in a position to help end the violence in Mozambique.

For us in the United States, turning up the pressure means the following:

1. Educate about the situation in Mozambique and about what RENAMO is, its history and origins. Educate about Mozambique's post-war and reconstruction needs.
2. Mobilize and advocate throughout the U.S. for RENAMO to end its violence so that there can be peaceful elections.
3. Pressure the U.S. Congress to expose those private U.S. groups and individuals who support RENAMO. Urge the U.S. Congress to pass laws (with serious enforcement mechanisms) limiting, if not curtailing private support for illegal armies and/or mercenaries.
4. Pressure the U. S. Congress and Administration to increase U.S. aid to Mozambique, especially aid for reconstruction and aid for capital projects, such as road and highway construction.

What does all this entail?

It means that starting now, we need letters to go to the White House and elected officials, resolutions from organizations, city councils and state legislatures, letters to the editor and articles. The message in all these communications should be:

The White House and the U.S. Government must NOW take effective steps to make RENAMO and its allies stop the killing and negotiate seriously.

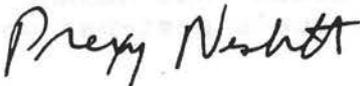
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Enclosed with this letter please find a one page information sheet prepared by the Capital District Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism and the MSO. It is simple, succinct and clear. It is made to be reproduced quickly and in bulk. Let us try and generate fifty to one hundred letters and phone calls, several organizational resolutions and a city and state resolution from every point in this country where there are people who care and refuse to be motionless in the face of "unrecorded holocaust. As the November, 1991 COCAMO (Cooperation Canada-Mozambique organization) Observer Mission to Mozambique concluded:

- *Without Peace, Mozambique faces ever greater tragedy
- *Without Peace, there can be no democracy
- *Without Peace, there can be no economic development, no social or cultural justice.

Enclosed with this please also find two recent editions of Baobab Notes: News and Views from Mozambique and Southern Africa. Please let us know if you need other resources or if we can be of help in any other way.

Yours,



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