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COUNTRY: (U) MOZAMBIQUE (MZ); SOUTH AFRICA (SF).

SUBJECT: /MOZAMBIQUE AND SOUTH
AFRICA IMPROVE BORDER COOPERATION (U)

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SUMMARY: (C) AFTER RECENT HIGH-LEVEL SOUTH AFRICAN
VISITS, MOZAMBIQUE STEPS UP COOPERATION ON KEY BORDER
ISSUES. LED BY PRESIDENT'S BROTHER, MOZ POLICE ASSIST
WITH CATTLE RUSTLING AND DISCOVER TWO SUSPECTED RENAMO
ARMS CACHES. SOUTH AFRICA OFFERS EQUIPMENT TO POLICE.

TEXT: 1. (C)

COOPERATION BETWEEN
M OZAMBIQUE AND SOUTH AFRICA ON KEY BORDER ISSUES HAS
DRAMATICALLY IMPROVED IN THE PAST TWO (2) MONTHS.

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THE IMPROVEMENT TO THE SUBTLE MESSAGES
TRANSMITTED TO KEY MOZAMBIKAN OFFICIALS DURING THE
RECENT VISITS TO MAPUTO BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN
PRESIDENT, NELSON ((MANDELA)), AND DEFENSE MINISTER,
JOE ((MODISE))

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2. (C) OF PARTICULAR IMPORTANCE,

THAT THE MOZAMBIKAN DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION, MR MIGUEL
((CHISSANO)), BROTHER OF MOZAMBIKAN PRESIDENT JOAQUIM
((CHISSANO)), ASSUMED THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE JOINT
SECURITY AND DEFENSE COMMISSION. PERHAPS AS ANOTHER
SIGNAL OF MOZAMBIKAN INTENTIONS, MR CHISSANO HAS ALSO
ASSUMED THE CHAIR OF BOTH SUBCOMMISSIONS ON SECURITY
(POLICE ISSUES) AND ON DEFENSE (MILITARY ISSUES).

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3. (C) THREE (3) RECENT

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EXAMPLES OF THE IMPROVEMENT IN BORDER COOPERATION.

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FIRST, ADDRESSING A PARTICULAR THORNY ISSUE, MOZAMBIKAN POLICE NOW PERMIT SOUTH AFRICAN FARMERS TO CROSS THE BORDER INTO MOZAMBIQUE WITH MOZAMBIKAN POLICE ASSISTANCE IN ORDER TO IDENTIFY AND RETRIEVE CATTLE SUSPECTED OF BEING STOLEN. SECOND, SOUTH AFRICA PROVIDED SEVEN (7) MAZDA TRUCKS WITH RADIOS TO THE MOZAMBIKAN IMMIGRATION POLICE IN AUGUST 94 TO FACILITATE BORDER PATROLS. THIRD, THE SECURITY SUBCOMMISSION MEETS REGULARLY AND THE MOZAMBIKAN IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES APPEAR TO BE WILLING TO WORK DIRECTLY WITH THEIR SOUTH AFRICAN COUNTERPARTS.

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4. (C) [REDACTED] THE MOST SUBSTANTIAL SIGN OF IMPROVEMENT. IN LATE OCTOBER AND THEN AGAIN IN THE SECOND WEEK OF NOVEMBER, MOZAMBIKAN POLICE RECEIVED A TIP FROM THE LOCAL POPULACE AND DISCOVERED TWO (2) ARMS CACHES NEAR THE BORDER TOWNS

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F MABALANE [REDACTED] AND APULANGOENE [REDACTED] LATER, THE MOZAMBIKAN POLICE REPORTED THE DISCOVERIES TO THE SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE AND REQUESTED THEIR ASSISTANCE IN ON-SITE DESTRUCTION. WHILE THE CACHES WERE FOUND IN A

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NAMO CONTROLLED AREA, [REDACTED] THE CACHES ARE APPARENTLY NOT TRANSIT POINTS FOR ONWARD TRANSSHIPMENT INTO SOUTH AFRICA. [REDACTED] THE WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION ARE OLD, MOSTLY RUSTED, BUT VERY UNSTABLE.

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5. (C) [REDACTED] A LIST OF THE WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION DISCOVERED AT MABALANE --

A. (U) WEAPONS

NS: 1 122MM MORTAR TUBE, 3 82MM MORTAR BASE PLATES, 1 82MM MORTAR, 7 61MM MORTAR BIPODS, 17 RPD DRUM MAGAZINES, AND 10 AK-47 MAGAZINES.

B. (U) AMMUNITION: 103 CASES OF AK-47, 26 CASES OF 61MM MORTAR ROUNDS, 39 CASES OF 81MM MORTARS ROUNDS, 94 CASES OF 122MM MORTAR ROUNDS, 185 CASES OF 122MM ANTI-TANK ROUNDS, 349 RPG-7 ROUNDS, 10 RPG-2 ROUNDS, 940 82MM ROUNDS, 63 75MM ROUNDS, 78 CASES OF F1 GRENADES, 78 CASES OF TM-57 MINES, 20 CASES OF PMN ANTI-PERSONNEL MINES, 2 CASES OF AP MECHANISMS.

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[REDACTED] THERE REMAIN TWO PRINCIPAL CONCERNS. FIRST, THE DEFENSE SUBCOMMISSION HAS YET TO MEET AND THERE IS NO MILITARY TO MILITARY CONTACT BETWEEN THE MOZAMBIKAN ARMED DEFENSE FORCES (FADM) AND THE SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL DEFENSE FORCE (SANDF). DURING [REDACTED] RECENT [REDACTED] MOZAMBIQUE, SANDF DEFENSE CHIEF, GENERAL ((MEIRING)), INTENDED TO RAISE THIS ISSUE WITH FADM CO-COMMANDER, LIEUTENANT GENERAL ((LAGOS)) LIDIMO. LTG LAGOS REFUSED TO MEET HIM. SECOND, EVEN WITH SEVEN (7) VEHICLES, THE MOZAMBIKAN POLICE STILL HAVE NOT INITIATED BORDER PATROLS. [REDACTED]

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TWO (2) OF THE
MAZDA TRUCKS IN USE DURING MAPUTO'S RUSH HOUR AS
PASSENGER VEHICLES.

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