UNITY TALKS ENDED IN A DEADLOCK

On the 5th February, 1965, a delegation of Uniao Democrata-
ica Nacional de Mozambique (UDENAMO), headed by Mr. Paulino Gusmão,
president of the Party, held the last meeting for unity talks with
the leaders of the Frente de Libertação de Mozambique (FRELIMO).
The talks were held at the Liberation Committee Head quarters, in
Dar Es Salam, under the kind auspices of the Secretary General
of the Liberation Committee. After tough discussions, attempting
to turn down the inflexible attitude of FRELIMO leadership, the
talks were ended on a deadlock.

We should like to point out that since the beginning of the
negotiations Frelimo leadership high-handed the singular attitude
in its refusal to accept the UDENAMO delegation as an equal in
the unity talks. Nevertheless, UDENAMO believing that only in
unity lies our liberation struggle, has accepted the belittling
attitude of Frelimo leaders and at last we proposed that after
two months of merger Parties, a Congress should be held. We had
compromised bearing all the expenses of the congress, but in spite
that Frelimo refused flatly.

Therefore, the World and all peace loving countries who
are interested in the political evolution of Mozambique, not
because they have interests there, but because they believe that
every nation has the right to rule itself and decide its own de-
stiny, had witnessed and followed carefully the efforts made by
UDENAMO, so that they might find a way to settle down their diffe-
rences which are not profiting both the antagonistic or rival
parties, but the Portuguese colonialists alone.

UDENAMO has in fact endured the big blow caused by the
deadlock on unity talks with Frelimo; but she never gave up the
supreme idea, that only in unity of all oppressed people of
Mozambique victory could be reached against colonialist forces.
UDENAMO is fully aware of the growing intrigues and of the hei-
ghtening manoeuvres of imperialists who are bent on subverting
the Mozambican, struggle and perpetuating the enslavement of
all Mozambicans, Because of all this UDENAMO after finalizing unity talks with Frelimo, held other similar talks with the leaders of Mozambique Revolutionary Council — MORECO — which was formed last year after the breaking out of six members of the Central Committee of Frelimo. These talks ended in our coming together, i.e. MORECO joined UDENAMO.

The praise for this glorious achievement is not to be given to any human being but to the gods of Mozambique who are disgusted by the delay of departure of the Portuguese colonialists from their country. They have found it necessary to intervene; Thus made our efforts of unifying our forces much easier than expected.

For over two years, Mozambique has been a target of imperialist intrigues and manoeuvres, and this to a greater extent hampere the struggle for our liberation from the yoke of colonialism. It is obvious that in our struggle for independence besides FRELIMO, there are still some other Mozambican political parties which have not yet seen the danger of disunity, mostly caused by egocentricism of their leaders. But it is the sincere hope of the Mozambique National Democratic Union UDENAMO that the compatriots will soon see these danger we have experienced, and later will follow the steps already taken by UDENAMO and MORECO in their aim to liberate MOZAMBIQUE from the foreign domination.

REMEMBERING

We thank God for having revealed ourselves during our recent stay in Dar Es Salaam, and for having revealed that Frelimo was a synonym of Salazar or in other words, Frelimo means a Headquarters of PIDE. Therefore, it has been necessary to be there so that the truth could come out. Now, Frelimo understands that the time of cheating and bribing has gone and that the armed struggle that the struggle armed which all the oppressed people of Mozambique must wage to liberate themselves and their motherland from the clutches of Portuguese colonial slavery is not for one man or for
a group of opportunists and traitors, but that it is the
struggle of the whole Mozambican revolutionary people irres-
pective of sex, age, tribe or faith. We, of UDENAMO, are deter-
mined to see that the struggle for liberating Mozambique by force
of arms is carried out without regard to our political ideologies.
Salazar and Humberto Delgado are united for the sake of their
country and for the sake of imperialist and colonial exploita-
tion. Their followers are united behind them irrespective of
their differences. We too the people of Mozambique MUST UNITE
to present them and their lackeys with a united front that will
crush them.

TWO YEARS have passed since the leadership of Frelimo
expelled eight members of the Front through a policy based on
tribalism. That expulsion created a division within the newly
formed Front which has had serious repercussions in the progress
of the armed struggle.

TWO YEARS have passed while Frelimo leaders travelled
throughout the world looking for their own personal support,
proclaiming insurrection of their own imagination.

For two years the leadership of Frelimo failed to realise
that without the support of the people, without united action
and without the cooperation of all the enslaved people of Moc-
ambique no effective revolution would be possible. What else did
Frelimo do in these last two years except to cause the expulsion
and jailing of Mozambican freedom fighters? What else did
Frelimo do except to hide the truth from their own people and
the world?

TWO YEARS have passed while confusion and tension prevai-
led in the ranks of Frelimo because of their unstable policy
based on selfishness, tribalism, partisanship, dictatorship and
national egocentricism. All this was unfortunate. Frelimo had
dangerously thought that by dividing the people and imposing
their will on them the revolution would stopped. The leadership of Frelimo had wrongly thought that by keeping non-Frelimo nationalists away from the Front and away from the country the revolution would stopped. Frelimo leaders had, out of greed thought that by having other freedom fighters arrested in country where they had sought refuge the revolution would stopped. Frelimo had thought by these evil machinations it would be able to have all Mocambican freedom fighters under its control.

But in doing all these abominable things Frelimo leadership was working against the aspirations of the people and the armed liberatory struggle.

There has never been a revolutionary party that has succeeded in dominating the people unless it had the complete support of the people.

It is because we have the interests of the people in the forefront of our minds, because we value solidarity and support of the people that at our first meeting for unity here in Cairo on 20th July 1964 with Frelimo leaders we stressed that "unity could not be decided only by the leaders themselves but also the people of Mocambique in and outside the country MUST be quite aware of it and independently voice their views freely".

We know that without this majority voice there is no democracy. And where there is no democracy fascism and dictatorship will return and in their wake will come once again the trappings of Portuguese colonial domination. The oppressed people of Mocambique are tired of the imperialist policy of "yes sir". Therefore their determination to fight united, to decide united and to overthrow Portuguese imperialism united has resulted in the rejoining of hands for realisation of freedom and bright destiny. The leadership of UDENAMO believes that united with the slogan "ONE MAN ONE GUN" the people of Mocambique will be/to wage a real armed struggle against our common enemy Portuguese colonialism and imperialism. Mocambique will no longer be the "Zone of Silence". The time for mere propaganda is over. Henceforth we shall move ahead to attain our goal.