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MOZAMBIQUE PRESIDENT GREETED BY MOZAMBIQUE STUDENTS IN CUBA:
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ISLE OF YOUTH: CUBA: APRIL 3: REUTER - PRESIDENT JOAQUIM CHISSANO OF MOZAMBIQUE FLEW TO THIS CUBAN ISLAND 130KM TO THE SOUTH OF HAVANA ACROSS BATABANO GULF SUNDAY WHERE HE WAS CHEERED BY MORE THAN TWO THOUSAND MOZAMBIQUE STUDENTS WHO STUDY ON THE IS SMALL ISLAND.

UPON THE ARRIVAL OF CHISSANO AND THE DELEGATION WHICH HE HEADS: GROUPS OF MOZAMBIQUE STUDENTS: SOME DRESSED IN THEIR NATIONAL COSTUMES: PERFORMED MOZAMBIQUE DANCES AND SONGS AS THE AFRICAN LEADER LOOKED ON AND ENCOURAGED THE STUDENTS WITH A BROAD SMILE.

THE CUBAN MINISTER OF EDUCATION: JOSE FERNANDEZ: WHO ACCOMPANIED CHISSANO ON THE DAY LONG VISIT TO THE ISLAND, TOLD REUTER THAT TWOO THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED MOZAMBIQUE STUDENTS STUDY IN FOUR BOARDING SCHOOLS ON THIS CITRUS FRUIT PRODUCING ISLAND WHICH CUBANS SAY WAS THE TREASURE ISLAND OF ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON. HE SAID THAT ABOUT THREE HUNDRED OTHER MOZAMBIQUE STUDENTS STUDY IN CUBAN POLYTECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS' COLLEGES.

STANDING ON A RAISED PLATFORM BEFORE THE MOZAMBIQUE STUDENTS WHO WERE DRESSED IN THEIR BLUE SCHOOL UNIFORMS: CHISSANO HAD THE STUDENTS JOIN HIM IN SINGING PATRIOTIC SONGS AND CHANTING POLITICAL SLOGANS. HIS RAPPORT WITH HIS PUBLIC AND HIS ABILITY TO ELICIT THE RESPONSE AND PARTICIPATIONOF THE STUENTS REMINDED OBSERVERS HERE OF THE MAN HE REPLACED AS PRESIDENT, ZAMORA MACHEL: WHO DIED IN AN AIRPLANE ACCIDENT IN OCTOBER 1986.

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