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PLSO Daily Updates for 25 Nov 2024

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Summary of the Constitutional Council Communication

Validation of Election Results:

The Constitutional Council is currently validating the results of the recent presidential, legislative, and provincial elections held on October 9, 2024.

The council acknowledges the instability and insecurity surrounding the elections.

Protests and Vandalism:

Protests led by the presidential candidate Venâncio António Bila Mondlane and his party followed the announcement of results.

While the council supports freedom of expression and assembly, it regrets that some protests escalated into vandalism and restrictions on the freedoms of non-participants.

Threats to Judges:

Judges of the Constitutional Council have received threats, including death threats, through private messages and social media. The council condemns these actions as undemocratic and criminal.

Appeals for Transparency:

There have been domestic and international calls for transparency and integrity in the electoral process, directed at the Constitutional Council as the final arbiter in electoral disputes.

Role of the Constitutional Council:

The council emphasizes its role as the guardian of the Constitution and its commitment to upholding universal suffrage, republican governance, and democratic principles.

Its decisions are constitutionally valid, irrevocable, and based on evidence from the electoral process.

Timelines and Legal Framework:

Although no specific deadline exists for completing the validation process, Article 184 of the Constitution mandates the first session of the new Assembly of the Republic to occur within 20 days after election results are validated.

The council aims to meet this constitutional obligation.

Call for Restraint:

The council urges citizens to remain calm and assures that it is working diligently to ensure electoral truth and justice.

It appeals to all stakeholders—political actors, civil society, and law enforcement—to contribute to transparency and uphold national stability.

Condolences for Losses:

The council expresses deep regret for human losses, injuries, and property damage caused by the social unrest.

It extends condolences to affected families, recognizing the shared grief as part of Mozambique's collective mourning.

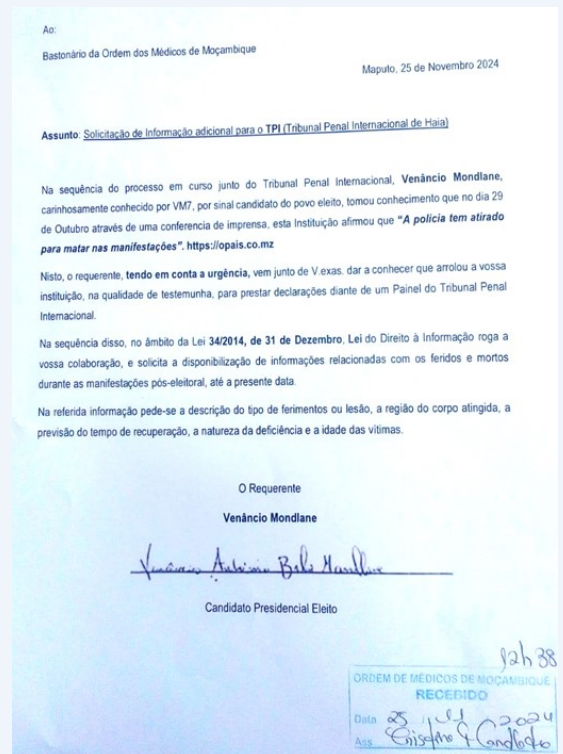
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Mondlane Pushes for ICC Probe

Translated from original

To:
President of the Mozambican Medical Association
Maputo, November 25, 2024

Subject: Request for Additional Information for the ICC (International Criminal Court in The Hague)



In light of the ongoing proceedings before the International Criminal Court, **Venâncio Mondlane**, affectionately known as **VM7**, and elected by the people as a presidential candidate, has become aware that, during a press conference on October 29, 2024, the institution claimed that **“The police have been shooting to kill during the protests”** ([source: https://opais.co.mz](https://opais.co.mz)).

In this context, and **considering the urgency of the matter**, the undersigned formally informs Your Excellency that your institution has been listed as a **witness** to provide statements before a panel of the International Criminal Court.

Following this, under the framework of **Law 34/2014 of December 31** (Right to Information Law), the undersigned respectfully requests your **collaboration** and the **provision of information** related to the injuries and deaths resulting from the post-election protests up to the present date.

The requested information includes:

- A description of the type of injuries or wounds.
- The affected regions of the body.
- The estimated recovery time.
- The nature of the disabilities, if any.
- The ages of the victims.

Sincerely,

Venâncio Mondlane
Elected Presidential Candidate

Acknowledgment Stamp:
Mozambican Medical Association
Received on: November 25, 2024
(Signature present)

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Misinformation Continues to Stuff Our Social Media Inboxes



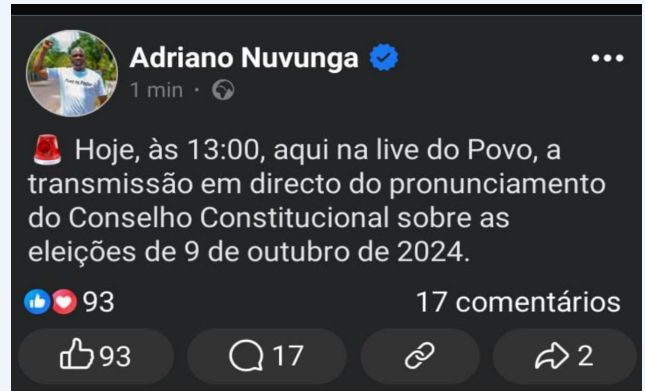
On November 24, we woke up to reports that the Constitutional Council would announce its final decision at 13:00. Alongside this news came claims that the FRELIMO Presidential Candidate Daniel Chapo was critically ill and had been rushed to Johannesburg for treatment. Just a day earlier, an official-looking letter, complete with a stamp and signature, alleged that officials from STAE would strike due to unpaid salaries and missed bonuses. These developments unfold amid a climate of uncertainty, with the official election results under serious scrutiny.

In the current political tension, leaders of opposing parties seem untroubled by stretching the truth to serve their narratives. President Nyusi claimed only 19 civilians had been killed since the start of the protests, which had many questioning local media sources, if only for a moment. Opposition parties are guilty too, as many hours were spent ghost-chasing rumors of Rwandan soldiers murdering civilians in Maputo. Some claims are by nature difficult to verify. Did the ENH salaries get leaked? Or was that made on a student's Google worksheet? Many of these claims can be dismissed as "highly unlikely" with a simple investigation into their source.

"Check the Source," as outlined in the PLSO guide on identifying fake news sent out on Nov-19, can help in determining whether a piece of information is credible. Anonymous claims or unverifiable origins should immediately raise red flags. The spread of misinformation thrives on our failure to scrutinize its origin, and in moments of uncertainty, the consequences can be far-reaching.

What keeps misinformation alive is not just its clever presentation and timing but also our own desire for it to be true. Sensational claims that align with our expectations or emotions demand extra scrutiny. As highlighted in the PLSO “Analyze the Message” guidance on identifying fake news, strong emotions often make us more vulnerable to spurious claims. When news feels too perfectly outrageous or confirms our suspicions too neatly, it should immediately raise doubts on its credibility.

The motivation behind these fake posts may never be fully understood, but one thing is clear: the authors aim to distract and consume our time and thoughts. Their goal is not to sustain the lie indefinitely but to sow doubt and confusion enough to influence the narrative. In the court of public opinion, even after proving something is false, there is no striking evidence from the record.



In Social Media: Snapshot of popular and interesting social media posts.



Borges Nhamirre
@BorgesNhamirre

Municipal Elections Almost Tripled Cases of Press Freedom Violations

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From moztimes.com

Moz Informa
@mozinforma

!! Jovem estudante e bolsheiro da UEM, que liderava manifestações na residência universitária e refeitórios, foi raptado e conta como tudo aconteceu.

Translated from Portuguese by Google

!! A young student and scholarship holder at UEM, who led demonstrations in the university residence and cafeterias, was kidnapped and tells how it all happened.

08:54 · 11/24/24 · 16K Views



Moz Informa @mozinforma · 12h

!! Conselho Constitucional informa que sofre ameaças de morte por causa do processo eleitoral.

CC diz estar a par dos estragos incluindo mortes devido a contestação aos resultados eleitorais e assegura estar a trabalhar para alcançar a tão almejada verdade eleitoral.



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É HOJE!

● Sessão Temática Online – Fundamentos da Gestão de Projectos: Da Concepção ao Impacto

🕒 Hora: 12h00 – 14h00

O Centro para Democracia e Direitos Humanos (CDD) dá-lhe as boas-vindas à Sessão Temática Online “Fundamentos da Gestão de Projectos: Da Concepção ao Impacto”.

[Translate post](#)



WEBINAR

04.12.24 19H00 (MAPUTO)

Can Elections Exist Without Democracy?

Existem Eleições sem democracia?



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Mozambique Elections: NGO accuses Public Prosecutor of being selective in initiating cases

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O País Online @opaisonline · 16h

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Mozambique: Terrorists loot food in Mocímboa da Praia – AIM

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From clubofmozambique.com

News Media Reports: Important news updates that could affect security or are of a need to know for USAID IPs.



Shared by Partner:



A *OKHALA W'AMIRAVO PARTICIPA DO LANÇAMENTO DOS 16 DIAS DO ACTIVISMO CONTRA A VIOLÊNCIA BASEADA NO GÊNERO.

Na Província de Nampula, as cerimónias de “Lançamento dos 16 Dias do Activismo Contra a Violência Baseada no Género,” tiveram lugar na Cidade de Nampula no Recinto do Salão do Instituto Industrial 3 de Fevereiro sub o Lema: Vamos todos Prevenir a Violência contra Mulheres e Raparigas.” O Evento Foi Dirigido pela Directora da Direcção Provincial do Género Criança e Acção Social. Participaram varias Organizações voltadas na Promoção dos Direitos e Protecção das Raparigas e Mulheres ao nível desta Província. Tudo em Prol os Direitos e Protecção da Rapariga e da Mulher. Okhala W'Amiravo - Mudando Vidas. #OkhalaW'Amiravo #RosC #DPGCAS

PARABENS!

Security and Terrorism (Cabo Delgado)

- **Postponed Exams Due to Terrorism:** Cabo Delgado's government postponed final school exams until January 2025 due to ongoing terrorist activity in Macomia district. [Source: MZNews](#)
- **IED Attack in Macomia:** The Islamic State in Mozambique claimed responsibility for an IED attack on a Mozambique army patrol in Unidade village, Macomia, injuring one soldier and damaging a vehicle. [Source: Aldebaran TC](#)
- **Terrorists Loot Food Aid in Mocímboa da Praia:** Terrorists looted food products meant for local aid programs in Nanquidunga village, Mocímboa da Praia, without causing any reported injuries or fatalities. [Source: Carta de Moçambique](#)

Politics and Government

- **Judges Receive Death Threats:** Judges from Mozambique's Constitutional Council reportedly received death threats amid political tensions. [Source: O País](#)
- **Regulating Social Media in Mozambique:** The government announced plans to implement measures to ensure safe use of social media platforms. [Source: AIM News](#)
- **Daniel Chapo Accepts Nyusi's Dialogue Invitation:** Daniel Chapo, FRELIMO's presidential candidate, agreed to meet with President Nyusi and other candidates to discuss Mozambique's post-election issues. [Source: O País](#)
- **Police Violence During Demonstrations:** At least ten children were killed, and dozens were injured by police during post-election protests led by opposition leader Venâncio Mondlane. [Source: MZNews](#)
- **New lawsuit demands €1.5M from Mondlane for damages in Maputo province:** The Mozambican Public Prosecutor's Office is demanding compensation of €1.5 million for losses caused by the demonstrations in Maputo province in recent weeks, in a new lawsuit against presidential candidate Venâncio Mondlane and Podemos, the party that supports him. This is the second civil lawsuit of its kind in a few days, following another filed by the Public Prosecutor's Office (MP) at the Maputo City Judicial Court (TJCM), in this case only referring to losses in the capital city, requesting compensation of 32,377,276.46 meticaís (€486,000). [LINK](#)

Crime and Law Enforcement

- **Nyusi on Crimes Against Women and Elderly:** President Nyusi raised concerns over the rise in gender-based violence and crimes against the elderly in Mozambique. [Source: AIM News](#)
- **Pakistani Citizen Kidnapped in Matola:** Nurali Gulamo, a 39-year-old Pakistani national, was abducted by unknown assailants in Matola. [Source: AIM News](#)
- **Mozambicans Detained for Illegal Mining in South Africa:** Fourteen Mozambican nationals, including a minor, were arrested for illegal mining in South Africa's North West province. [Source: MZNews](#)

Social and Humanitarian

- **Support for Victims of Violence:** The Ministry of Gender, Children, and Social Action assisted 9,250 violence survivors this year, including women, men, children, and the elderly. [Source: AIM News](#)
- **INGD Faces Funding Deficit:** Mozambique's National Institute of Disaster Management reported a 9 billion meticaís shortfall, hindering its contingency plan efforts. [Source: MZNews](#)
- **Children killed in Mozambique election violence: HRW.** Human Rights Watch (HRW) said Monday that Mozambican security forces killed at least 10 children and injured dozens more in post-election violence. [AFP](#)
- **The rehabilitation of the Ibo Island jetty** is making mobility in the Quirimbas Archipelago more flexible. The infrastructure had been damaged during Cyclone Kenneth in 2019, a phenomenon that affected the island and mainland areas of the districts of Macomia, Metuge, Pemba and Mecúfi, in Cabo Delgado. [LINK](#)

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