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DROUGHT IN MOZAMBIQUE

VIDEO

AUDIO

OSVALDO AND SISTER WALKING
TO SCHOOL/CLASS

NARRATION

15-year-old Osvaldo Andre and his sister, Ana Paula, are walking to school. But getting an education is only one reason they go. (10)

OSVALDO ON-CAMERA

OSVALDO: (In Portuguese)

"If I don't come to school, I would not have enough food at home to eat every day." (8")

COOKING/CHILDREN EATING

NARRATION

Osvaldo and his sister are among hundreds of thousands of school children in Mozambique in East Africa who receive meals at school through a feeding programme provided by United Nations World Food Programme, WFP. Karin Manente is WFP Deputy Country Director in Mozambique. (20")

MANENTE ON-CAMERA

KARIN MANENTE:

"We support through the Ministry of Education, working jointly with them, a total of 350,000 children, most of them primary school children

and also 40,000 secondary school children.” (12)

NARRATION

DRY FIELDS

Irregular rainfall in central and southern Mozambique created a crop-killing drought, leaving farmers with no harvest to support their families. (10)

OSVALDO AND MOTHER IN DRY FIELD

Here in Tenga, some 80 kilometres west of Maputo, fields are dry, and the maize crop has shrivelled before it could ripen. Osvaldo’s mother, 48-year-old Lea Oracio Zimba, is a widow struggling to feed her six children. (17)

LEA ORACIO ZIMBA: (In Portuguese)

LEA ON-CAMERA

“This year, we have a drought. But since the children attend school, they get some food there.” (7)

NARRATION

WOMEN COLLECTING GREEN LEAVES

A joint crop assessment by WFP and the Food and Agricultural Organization, FAO, estimates that the drought will cut cereal production in Mozambique by 3%. As a result more than half a million people face food shortages. Among them are 57-year-old Delvina Banze and her family. (22)

DELVINA ON-CAMERA	<p><u>DELVINA BANZE:</u> (In Portuguese)</p> <p>“We have nothing. Everything is dry. This is why I am collecting these green leaves in order to survive.” (6.5)</p>
WFP WAREHOUSE	<p><u>NARRATION</u></p> <p>This warehouse looks full but these stacks of supplies aren’t enough. WFP needs more than 70,000 metric tons of emergency relief to feed all affected farmers. But Magenta says there are shortages of funding and resources. (17)</p>
MANENTE ON-CAMERA	<p><u>KARIN MANENTE:</u></p> <p>“The main reason is competing priorities, you know other parts in the world are suffering disasters and have quite large needs.” (9)</p>
OSVALDO IN CLASS/FOOD LINE	<p><u>NARRATION</u></p> <p>As for Osvaldo and his sister, attending school is their only guarantee of a meal today. With little or nothing to eat at home, there is no substitute for a hot lunch. (14)</p>
LOGO	<p>This report was prepared by United Nations Television. (3)</p>