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ABSTRACT

SOUTHERN AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY DEFENCE CAPACITY BUILDING OF MOZAMBIQUE IN ITS FIGHT AGAINST TERRORISM (2015 - 2021)

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Starting from 5 October 2017 the Al Sunnah terrorists launched violent attacks on security forces, government installations and the general populace within the Cabo Delgado region. These include attacks on police stations, theft of firearms, violent killings and the capture of the town of Mocimboa da Praia. The violent attacks continued to grow and become more gruesome over time and by 2020 the terrorists had killed more than 3,000 inhabitants and caused the displacement of almost 800,000, with 50% comprising of children. The terrorist activities were also expanding into neighbouring states. The Mozambique security forces reacted to the security threat. However, as the government has been influenced by foreign pressure to prioritise economic development ahead of defence capacity building, the reaction force was ill-equipped, insufficiently trained and subject to low morale. Resultantly they suffered heavy casualties after which they started refusing to continue offensive operations. This resulted in Mozambique requesting for DCB assistance from SADC member states and in response SADC deployed the DCB mission SAMIM. This research is designed to analyse the effectiveness of defence capacity building mechanisms initiated by SADC member states in reaction to terrorism in the Cabo Delgado province of Mozambique. This research adopts the qualitative method. The research data were obtained from informants that had been purposively determined, which were then analysed using qualitative analysis technique. SADC DCB initiatives adopted include diplomatic engagement, providing training, deploying military personnel for combat operations (SAMIM), as well as provision of military hardware, advice, finance, consultation services and intelligence. The results demonstrate that the DCB initiatives were effective enough to achieve expected objective, even though some challenges were experienced.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AU	: African Union
CB	: Capacity Building
CEN-SAD	: Community of Sahel–Saharan States
COMESA	: Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa
DAG	: Dyck Advisory Group
DCB	: Defence Capacity Building
ECCAS	: Economic Community of West African states
EAC	: East African Community
ECOWAS	: Economic Community of West African states,
FRELIMO	: Frente de Libertação de Moçambique
GDP	: Gross Domestic Product
ICB	: Institutional Capacity Building
IGAD	: Inter-governmental Authority on Development
LNG	: Liquefied Natural Gas
MOU	: Memorandum of Understanding
NATO	: North Atlantic Treaty Organization
OAU	: Organisation of African unity
OPDSC	: Organ on Politics, Defence and Security Committee
PMC	: Private Military Contractors
RENAMO	: Resistência Nacional Moçambicana
SADC	: Southern African Development Community
SAMIM	: SADC Mission in Mozambique
SC	: Security Cooperation
UN	: United Nations
UNHLP	: United Nations High Level Panel
UMA	: Arab Maghreb Union
USA	: United States of America.