



**REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE**

**REMARKS BY**  
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**MOZAMBIQUE**  
**TO THE UNITED NATIONS**

**AT THE FLAG INSTALLATION CEREMONY**  
**OF THE NEWLY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE UN**  
**SECURITY COUNCIL,**  
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***Mr. Chairman,  
Mr. President of the Security Council,  
Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen,***

It is a great honor and privilege for me to take the floor in this important ceremony.

It marks Mozambique's historical assumption of its first ever mandate as a Non-Permanent Member of the Security Council for the term 2023-2024.

On behalf of His Excellency Filipe Jacinto Nyusi, President of the Republic of Mozambique, I wish to reiterate Mozambique's profound gratitude to all Member States of the United Nations, for electing our country, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of June 2022, with universal support.

We therefore embrace this Security Council membership with a sense of great responsibility. We herewith pledge to fully devote our energies, in cooperation with fellow members of this august body, to the maintenance of peace and security worldwide. This is the primary responsibility the Charter has assigned to the Council.

The primacy of Peace, the imperative of searching for peaceful solutions to conflicts and the duty to cooperate with other nations are sacred principles

enshrined in the Constitution of the Republic of Mozambique.

As an elected member, we will therefore attach great importance to situations that constitute serious threats to the peaceful co-existence of states in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Paramount among contemporary threats to international peace and security is the progressive “Africanization” of terrorism affecting our continent. It must be stemmed and reversed. The International Community must pull together its efforts towards this endeavor.

The United Nations was created to be a center for harmonizing the actions of nations in the attainment of our common goals, including international peace and security, the pursuit of friendly relations among nations, and international cooperation. We believe achieving these goals can open avenues for the promotion of *‘social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom’*.

We must continue to live up to the Charter’s call.

Finally, let me wish you all a very fulfilling and peaceful year 2023!

***I thank you!***