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Major General Jacinto Veloso, who arrives in Britain W) at the head of a strong ggggggigaaelegation is one of President Samora nachel's closest associates. -he is considered one of the architects of the Nkomati Accord with South Africa and hes been at the head of efforts to find an end.to the six-year conflict with the Mozambique Nhtional Resistance movement.

The four day visit at the invitation of the British government is seen here as the most significant economic foray to a Western state since Foreign Minister Joaquin Chissano visited Japan shortly after the signing of the Nkomati Accord. It is a follow-up to President Machel's successful visit to Britain in October last year. Elneral veloso, who will be accompanied by Antonio Sumbana, Secretary of State for International Cooperation, Paulo Garcao, Director of International Relations at the Bank of Mozambique, and other officials, will have talks at the Foreign Office with mr Malcolm Rifkind and the Minister of Overseas Development, Mr Timotheyi Raison.

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He will also meet bankers and other business men, including the Lonrho chief, Mr Tiny TJillian:Rowlands.

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On a previous private visit to London veloso is known to have met Rowlands at the same time as MNR spokesman Jorge Correia was in touch with Lonrho, which has a longstanding investment interest in McFambique.

The m'ozam'bican delegation will also hood discussions with organisations interested in intermediate technology development and will attend a symposium with i development specialists from Sussex University'so Institute of Development Studies and the Tropical Development Research Institute. veloso has expressed an interest in development hheories current in British intstitutions.

General veloso is a white Mozambican who joined the Frelimo liberation movement hy flying his jet fighter to Tanzania during the war with the Portuguese. He elater became President Machel's security chief and served as Mininster for jecurity from 1980 to 1983. During this tihe he was associated with the 'campaign egainst abuses of authority in the security organs and the military. Laconic and decisive, General veloso is viewed By Western diplomats as a pragmatist and an able administrator. He is very much part of the group which i has come to the fore in Mozamhican ruling circles in the past few years.i The visit follows I closely on the trip to Mezambique by a British aid delegation which held preliminary discussions on the the British aid prOgramme to Mozambique for 1985, which is to he finalisea shortly. The new aid programs. is expected to show a substantial increase in British Bilateral aid and will is geared, at Mozamhican request, to immediate needs such as import support for spare parts and the rehabilitation of Mozambique's crippled ecenomy. At present General veloso, who is a member of the Frelimo Political Bureau, is Mister for Economic relations in the President's Office, but there are some indications that he may be moved in into e full cabinet post shortly, in line with the substantial responsibilities he shoulders. 2i: