



Press Statement

**STATEMENT
ON THE KILLINGS IN MOZAMBIQUE -POST 2024 PRESIDENTIAL &
LEGISLATIVE ELECTIONS**

21-OCTOBER-2024 - The **Electoral Support Network of Southern Africa (ESN-SA)** expresses profound concern regarding the brutal killings of **Elvino Dias** and **Paulo Guambe**, as well as the violent clashes following the **2024 Presidential and Legislative Elections**. These tragic incidents underscore the persistent election-related conflict and violence in Mozambique and call for the urgent need for peace, justice, and accountability in the region. Our thoughts are with the families of the victims and those affected by the conflict.

ESN-SA calls for unity in condemning acts of violence and emphasises the necessity for meaningful dialogue and effective electoral dispute resolution mechanisms. These crucial steps are essential for preventing future violence and promoting peace, which will significantly contribute to ensuring electoral justice and upholding the integrity of democratic institutions and processes in Mozambique and throughout the region.

About ESN-SA

The Electoral Support Network of Southern Africa (ESN-SA) is a regional network of 15 non-governmental organisations working in the area of elections in the Southern African Development Community (SADC) region. It was established in January 1998. More information is available at <https://www.esn-sa.org/>