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**Carter Center Announces International Delegation for Presidential and  
Legislative Elections in Mozambique**

The Carter Center has launched an international election observation mission for Mozambique's presidential, legislative, and provincial assembly elections on Oct. 15, at the invitation of the government of Mozambique.

The Carter Center has deployed a five-person core team of experts in Maputo, who will be joined in early October by additional short-term observers. The Center is working in Mozambique in partnership with the Electoral Institute for Sustainable Democracy in Africa (EISA), and together the integrated mission will deploy more than 80 observers representing more than 30 countries. Together, these teams will focus their observation on the Oct. 15 general elections, including polling and the tabulation period.

The EISA/Carter Center teams will offer an independent assessment of the process surrounding the legislative and presidential elections, and will coordinate efforts with other national and international election observers and key stakeholders. The Carter Center's observers will meet regularly with representatives of the National Electoral Commission (CNE), political parties, independent candidates, civil society organizations, the international community, and citizen election observers to assess electoral preparations and the pre-electoral environment throughout the country in advance of the Oct. 15 polls. The Center will release public statements on key findings, available at [www.cartercenter.org](http://www.cartercenter.org).

The Carter Center assesses the electoral process based on Mozambique's national legal framework and its obligations for democratic elections under public international law, including relevant regional and international agreements. The Center conducts its election observation work in accordance with the Declaration of Principles for International Election Observation, which provides guidelines for professional and impartial international election observation.

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