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Mozambique: Authorities must promptly investigate the killing of a lawyer

Mozambican authorities must promptly investigate the killing of constitutional lawyer Gilles Cistac and ensure that those responsible for his death are brought to justice, Amnesty International has said today. Gilles Cistac, who was a professor of constitutional law at Eduardo Mondlane University in Maputo was shot dead by four gunmen in downtown Maputo, Mozambique, on 2 March 2015.

Before his killing, Gilles Cistac is alleged to have made statements supporting Renamo, the opposition political party, calling for greater autonomy for Mozambique's provinces.

Gilles Cistac is said to have been killed outside a café in Mozambique by unknown gunmen. To date, no one has been arrested.

Amnesty International applauds President Filipe Jacinto Nyusi's condemnation of Professor Gilles Cistac's killing. The Mozambican authorities must ensure a fair trial for those suspected of committing the heinous act.

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