

Two cops arrested for killing dancer

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MAPUTO, Mozambique -- Two police officers face murder charges in the lethal shooting of respected dancer and choreographer Augusto Covilas near Maputo, Mozambique. Covalis, who was connected to Mozambique's internationally acclaimed National Song and Dance Company, called the police after his home was surrounded by men who apparently intended to conduct a raid, Agencia de Informacao de Mocambique reported Monday. However, by the time the police arrived, the thieves had left. Instead of checking on the situation the police opened fire through the house's wooden doors, killing Covalis and seriously wounding a security guard, the report said. The guard is currently undergoing medical treatment at Maputo Central Hospital. Maputo City police spokesman, Abilio Quive said the two policemen who opened fire have been arrested, and will be charged with murder.

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