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Mozambique: demographic transformation and economic change

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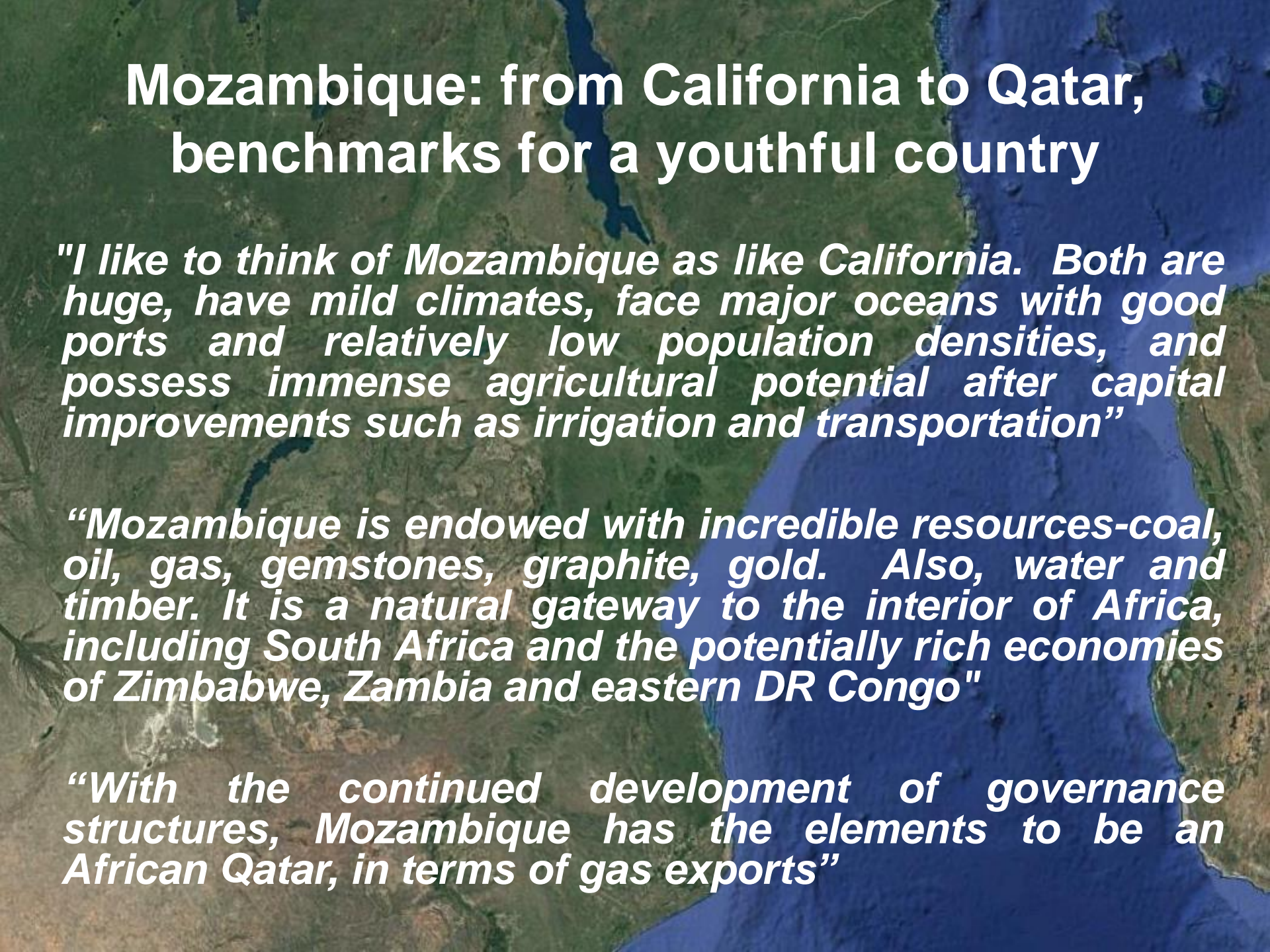
Change at a time of growing interdependence

- **Shift of power from West to East**
- **Growing absence of the United States**
- **Unravelling of the post-World War II rules-based order**

A satellite-style image of the Earth, centered on the African continent. The landmasses are shown in shades of brown, tan, and green, while the oceans are a deep blue. The curvature of the planet is visible at the top and bottom edges.

Focus on Africa

- **How global shifts create opportunities**
- **How to maximize these opportunities**
- **How Africa can and should play a key role (from demographics and migration to food security, energy and climate change)**

A satellite-style map of the African continent and the Indian Ocean. The map shows the coastline of Africa, with the Indian Ocean to the east. The text is overlaid on the map in white, bold font.

Mozambique: from California to Qatar, benchmarks for a youthful country

"I like to think of Mozambique as like California. Both are huge, have mild climates, face major oceans with good ports and relatively low population densities, and possess immense agricultural potential after capital improvements such as irrigation and transportation"

"Mozambique is endowed with incredible resources-coal, oil, gas, gemstones, graphite, gold. Also, water and timber. It is a natural gateway to the interior of Africa, including South Africa and the potentially rich economies of Zimbabwe, Zambia and eastern DR Congo"

"With the continued development of governance structures, Mozambique has the elements to be an African Qatar, in terms of gas exports"

Mozambique: vectors of growth

A satellite-style map of Mozambique and its surrounding regions. The map shows the coastline of Mozambique, the Indian Ocean to the east, and parts of South Africa, Swaziland, and Zimbabwe to the south and west. The terrain is depicted with various shades of green, brown, and tan, indicating different land uses and topography.

- **Attracting investment**
- **Maximizing agriculture**
- **Building on energy resources**



Concluding remarks

“Africa and Europe have never been so much linked as now”

F. Mogherini