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BIOGRAPHV UF PRESIDENT OLIVER TRMBD.

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Born on 27 Uctuber 1917 at Bizana ln the Cape Province.
Complated hie matriculation at St9.Peter's Secondary School
in Johannesburg in 1938.
Graduated with a BBC. degree at Fort Hare University in 19h1.
Taught at St. Peter' 3 Secondary School From 19h2 tn 19h7.
Founder member of the AND Youth League in 19hh in which he
served For a while as national secretary.
In 19h6 he was elected to the Transvaal provincial executive
committee of the RNC.
In 19h9 he was elected to the National Executive Committee of

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the ANS.

In 1952 he qualified as an attorney and later that year he and
Neelon Mandela established a joint law practice.

In mid~195h he took over as acting secretary general of the
AND following the banning of Halter Sisulu.

Ii-\201 1955 he was Formally elected AND eeeretaty-general.

In December 1956 he was arrested and charged with treason
together with 155 other Readers of the AND Following the
adaption of the Freedom Charter. He is discharged in 1957.

In 1958 he was elected to the poeitian 0F deputy president.
-general.

In 1959 he was banned for Five years. The lzaadership of the
AND decided he should leave the country to serve as Foreign
Spokesman. He Left South Africa in March 1960 soon after the
Sherpeville massacre.

In 1967 when the then president-general of the RNC, Albert
Lutuli died, Oliver Tambu became the acting preeident-general.

In 1969 he was elected presidentwgeheral,

He has travel widely.