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## Spending folly

**R**ESERVE Bank Governor Chris Stals's warning at the bank's AGM that widening government debt is "ominous" should be heeded with concern, particularly by the authorities responsible for State spending.

In a nutshell, government is burdening existing non-voters and future generations with increasing liabilities by borrowing money into the future to finance day-to-day operating expenditure. Government refers to the practice as increasing the deficit before borrowing, but in private sector business terms it would be called dissaving or spending into bankruptcy. Deficit financing can, of course, make sense when applied to the creation of growth-promoting and job-creating infrastructure and capital projects. Unfortunately, borrowing just to keep the wheels of government turning implies just the opposite. Dr Stals could have gone further, perhaps by exclaiming that such irresponsible spending in our present circumstances amounts to gross neglect which could cause terminal damage to the economy and wreck the entire transition process.

Certainly the remark he did make cannot be ignored. Finance Minister Derek Keys owes the public an urgent explanation of how he proposes to stop the process. After all, his predecessors have been remarkably unsuccessful in curtailing State spending and the vast majority of the population has a right to know if anything is being done to ease a plight which heralds still lower standards of living for years to come.

Alas, a degree of higher non-productive spending by the State seems inevitable with the need to restructure the police and security forces, including pensioning off some members who seem capable of doing even more damage by remaining at their posts.



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## Cosatu and ANC will attend forum

GAVIN DU VENAGE

SOUTHERN Life announced yesterday a major political and economic forum would be held in Johannesburg in October to discuss the SA economy's poor performance.

Southern assistant GM Martin Sweet said the forum would include the ANC's Cyril Ramaphosa, DP leader Zach de Beer and Trade and Industry director-general Steph Naude. Among topics to be discussed would be tax as a redistributive mechanism and capital gains tax.

Others to be represented at the forum would be the PAC, Inkatha, National African Federated Chamber of Commerce, Sacob, Afrikaanse Handelsinstituut and Cosatu.



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## Killings, Goldstone coincide

By Bronwyn Wilkinson  
Crime Reporter

Since the Goldstone Commission committee on train violence started its second sitting last Friday, 12 people have died and at least 27 have been injured in rampant train attacks across the Reef.

In the two days before the sittings began, six people were killed and several more were injured in attacks on the East Rand and in Soweto.

In the latest attacks, nine people were killed and four were injured in two attacks on the East Rand yesterday.

Police said the attacks started at about 6 pm when attackers stabbed and shot passengers on a train near Kaitleng's Pilot Station. Four men died after being stabbed and thrown out of the windows.

Later, between Elsburg and Wadeville Stations, police found the body of a man who had been thrown off a train.

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Shortly after 7 pm, police found the body of another man, also thrown off a train.

Earlier in the day, three people were shot dead and five wounded at Boksburg Station.

South African Rail Commuter Corporation (SARCC) spokesman Coen van Niekerk said he found it strange that, after a period of relative peace on Reef trains, the attacks had started again with the meeting of the Goldstone Commission committee.

He said the corporation was "in full swing" implementing the security measures announced on August 10 by SARCC

managing director Wynand Burger.

These resulted from recommendations after the first sitting of the Goldstone Commission, he said.

The measures included the relocation of entry and exit points at stations, as well as the placing of an enormous security force of members of Spoornet's security service and the SAP.

Colonel Frank Steygans, newly appointed head of the SAP's train security unit based at New Canada in Soweto, said today that patrols on trains from Soweto to Johannesburg had been stepped up in the last two days.

"At stations where we

often have problems, we have at least half a platoon (16 people) on the platforms during peak hours," he said.

He said more policemen had also been assigned to travel on the trains.

Colonel Steygans said train attacks in Soweto tended to follow a revenge pattern between Zulus and Xhosas.

The colonel asked the community of Soweto to contact him — anonymously if they wished — with any information that would help the police ensure the safety of commuters.

He can be telephoned on (011) 474-9441 or (011) 474-8966.



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## Groups unite to combat Aids

Medical Reporter

The Government and the ANC have sat down — along with 32 umbrella organisations — to discuss a new national policy on Aids.

ANC department of health secretary Ralph Mgiijima yesterday described the initiative as unique and vital.

"This is the first time we have people working together to fight Aids," he said.

"In the past, people working alone on individual programmes often duplicated work, and we hope the National Aids Convention of South Africa (Nacosa) will bring them together to share ideas and identify priorities in fighting the Aids pandemic."

Fledgling details of the new Aids policy emerged from a conference held in Johannesburg on Tuesday — the first time any body other than the Government has been involved in setting

a national agenda for combating the disease.

The conference findings are a precursor to a national Aids conference planned for October at which a formal, national strategy comprising aims, actions and a timetable will be adopted.

The newly formed Nacosa will replace the Government's Aids programme as a policy-making body for Aids.

ANC department of health promotion and Aids prevention director Natalie Stockton yesterday said the ANC's commitment to work with the Government in formulating a new national Aids policy, despite political reforms not having yet reached fruition, was a giant leap forward in the battle against the disease.

According to Dr Mgiijima the most valuable lesson learnt in the decade since Aids surfaced in South Africa was that all policy decisions taken

should have the approval of the communities they were imposed on.

"Aids programmes of the past have been largely ineffectual because it ignored this important lesson," he said.

The formulation of a new policy involving a broad spectrum of the community would ensure it survived political changes in the future, he added.

● The steering committee of Nacosa comprises delegates from the ANC, the Department of National Health and Population Development, the Congress of South African Trade Unions, the National African Congress of Trade Unions, the National African Federated Chamber of Commerce, the South African Council of Churches, the South African Consultative Committee on Labour Affairs and the SA National Civics Association.



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# 'Torture, beating' X in ANC camps

By David Katz

Allegations of torture and abuse in ANC camps have been made by two former ANC members in affidavits presented to the Douglas Commission of Inquiry, set up by the conservative Washington-based International Freedom Foundation (IFF).

The commission this week began gathering evidence of alleged torture and human rights atrocities in ANC camps in countries such as Angola, Uganda and Tanzania.

The commission, under advocate Robert Douglas, SC, yesterday made affidavits available to The Star in which former ANC members detained in the camps describe acts of torture at the ANC's Quatro camp in Angola.

In his affidavit David Mak-

hubedu (41) said "torture and beatings were a regular occurrence administered on inmates indiscriminately".

He said he witnessed this during the nearly five years he spent in Quatro before being released on November 16 1988.

He said Quatro was initially established for suspected infiltrators but was later used "for any people whom the leadership of the ANC and MK (ANC military wing Umkhonto we Sizwe) regarded as dissidents".

In another affidavit, Robert Shange said that during his stay at Quatro he saw "numerous acts of torture". Once, boiling water had been poured on the head of a prisoner.

He said many prisoners — who lived in conditions "shocking beyond belief" — had died of malaria and other tropical diseases, and that complaints were met with more torture.

Mr Shange said he was seeking redress "against the ANC-

SACP alliance for all the wrongs done" while he was in detention.

The ANC has in the past acknowledged that atrocities took place, and a commission of inquiry appointed by ANC president Nelson Mandela to investigate them finished taking oral evidence last week.

An ANC spokesman yesterday said the organisation had full confidence in its own commission, which was due to release its report soon.

She said the ANC commission had "sounder motives than the right-wing IFF" and that the ANC was eager to find solutions based on the report.

Speaking from Washington yesterday, IFF international chairman Duncan Sellars said the purpose of the commission was "to help the ANC come clean" on its past and "bolster true democrats within the ANC against hardliners aligned with the SACP".



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## Attorney battles to see MK suspects

The attorney for two Umkhonto we Sizwe members, arrested in connection with the murder of Addo farmer Andre de Villiers, yesterday battled in vain to consult his clients.

David Mias, the attorney for Tamsanqa Mali and Johnny Stimela, said he yesterday faxed the office of the eastern Cape Attorney-General, requesting

permission to see his clients.

A message was left yesterday afternoon by the Attorney-General's deputy in Port Elizabeth, saying Mr Mias was free to see his clients.

But he was not able to contact the investigating officer.

He later telephoned the Attorney-General's office again, and was told that a message

had been left with the police allowing him access to his clients.

Mr Mali and Mr Stimela appeared in the Kirkwood Magistrate's Court on Tuesday afternoon in connection with Mr de Villiers's murder.

A third man, Xolani Ncinane, appeared in court on Monday in connection with the murder. — Political Reporter.



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General A B Conradie  
... on the way out

## 13 SAP generals go in sweeping changes

By Peter Fabricius and  
Brooklyn Wilkinson

Thirteen police generals are to be retired early and discrimination in promotion from the past is to be rectified in sweeping changes aimed at restoring the credibility of the SA Police.

Law and Order Minister Hernus Kriel announced the measures at a press conference in Pretoria today. They include the establishment of an independent investigative body headed by a judge to investigate serious crimes allegedly committed by the SAP.

A new division of Community Relations would also be created, as well as a new subdivision aimed at "sensitising" members of the SAP about the changed political environment in which policing had to take place, Mr Kriel said.

A committee consisting of

members of all race groups has investigated the rectification of discrimination regarding promotion in the past.

As a result of this investigation those affected by discriminatory procedures "have had their seniority restored" and will be promoted

after passing the necessary development courses.

Mr Kriel said emphasis would now be placed on total impartiality, professionalism, no discrimination against any member of the public on the grounds of race, colour, creed or sex.

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General H P M de Villiers  
... on the way out

## Major changes to update SAP

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courteous behaviour towards the public, the sovereignty of the law, the principle of minimum force, and accountability to the public.

The investigative body, under the auspices of the Ministry of Justice, will consist of a statutory board with a judge as chairman, an Attorney-General as the chief executive officer, and three area chiefs.

The board will recruit 35 inspectors from the offices of the Attorneys-General, the ranks of advocates, lawyers, the SAP, the National Intelligence Service and foreign experts.

The board, which will be based in Pretoria, will report annually to Parliament.

The division of Community Relations will be aimed at promoting the principles and implementation of community-supported policing.

Two deputy commissioners will be appointed, as well as four new lieutenant-generals, including the chief of the new division of Community Relations. In addition an expert from the private sector with the status of a deputy director-general will be appointed to manage the division of human resources management.

The retired generals are:

- Lieutenant-General H P M de Villiers, senior deputy commissioner;
- Lieutenant-General A B Conradie, head of training;
- Lieutenant-General D S Kemp, head of financial services;

- Lieutenant-General P M de Plessis, head of personnel services;
- Lieutenant-General I Coetzee, head of logistics;
- Major-General H P Grobler, head of efficiency development;
- Major-General G N Erasmus, head of management services;
- Major-General H J Fischer, head of efficiency services;
- Major-General B H Henn, regional commissioner of the Northern Transvaal;
- Major-General J A P Burger, second in command, Internal Stability Unit;
- Major-General G C May, deputy Regional Commissioner for the Witwatersrand;
- Major-General T Breytenbach, regional commissioner northern Cape; and
- Major-General J F R Kruger, commanding officer of the Special Guard Unit.

Police Commissioner Johan van der Merwe said one of the aims of restructuring was to devolve power as far as possible to regions.



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## Inkatha leaders 'initiated attacks'

Staff Reporter

Inkatha Freedom Party leaders Themba Khoza and Humphrey Ndlovu instigated Nancefield hostel dwellers to attack ANC followers, a committee of the Goldstone Commission into train violence has heard.

Under cross-examination yesterday by IFP counsel Louis Visser, a witness — identified only as Mr 01, who is a police informer — said the two leaders had addressed several meetings in the hostel which were attended by up to 8 000 inmates.

He also told the committee that inmates were told that ANC leader Nelson Mandela had said the Zulus must be attacked so that they would go back to Natal. This assertion was made by indunas in the hostel.

Mr 01 said there was tension between the hostel dwellers and township residents, with the former believing that all township residents were ANC supporters, who had to be attacked.

He said the killing of an IFP member had led to the attack on the train in Nancefield station on June 25 1991. He knew of another attack on commuters at New Canada station.

### Afraid

Mr 01 said that as a hostel dweller he was afraid to move about in the townships for fear of being recognised and attacked. He had requested a firearm from a policeman called Danie but had not received it.

He said he had accompanied a group of hostel dwellers who had gone to launch an attack on a train, but turned back because he was armed with only a panga while the rest of the party had firearms. Five had pistols and two had AK-47 rifles.

Mr 01 admitted that he had expected to be paid about R40 000 by the police for information he gave concerning train attacks. However, he did not get the promised amount.

Instead, after his lawyers had raised the issue on his behalf, he was paid R3 000 by the police. Yet he claimed not to know what the R3 000 payment was for.

Mr 01 said the causes of the violence in the townships and hostels included ethnic conflict between Xhosas and Zulus, slogans sung by ANC supporters, and insults hurled by ANC supporters at IFP leader Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi. He was not sure whether political rivalry between the IFP and ANC was a cause of the violence.



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Military Intelligence chief and ANC discuss joint hunt

EXCLUSIVE

# Secret talks on Third Force

By Jacques Pauw  
and Shaun Johnson

Controversial SADF Military Intelligence (MI) chief Lieutenant-General CP "Joffel" van der Westhuizen has held a secret meeting with the ANC's top intelligence officials and told them there is a Third Force operating in South Africa, sources claim.

High-ranking intelligence sources told The Star the meeting took place in Johannesburg three weeks ago. Among those present were the MI chief, ANC chiefs of intelligence and security Joe Nhlanhla and Patrick "Terror" Lekota, and Umkhonto we Sizwe commander Joe Modise.

Following inquiries from The Star, the SADF last night confirmed that such a meeting took place — but, without giving details, questioned The Star's account of the proceedings.

The sources say the meeting took place at the initiative of the general.

General van der Westhuizen reportedly told the three ANC officials that the "intelligence community" had to facilitate the negotiations process. According to the sources, the MI chief told the ANC he knew who the Third Force was, and that MI and the ANC should together hunt this force.

In its statement, the SADF said: "This is not the first time that Defence Force officers at this level have held discussions with the ANC. As far as the Defence Force is concerned, the content of these discussions is regarded as confidential."

## Discredit

The SADF added: "Lieutenant-General van der Westhuizen was not the only one present and the Defence Force was not the only department represented. All relevant authorities were informed of the meeting."

General van der Westhuizen reportedly also said there were moves in the SADF to discredit him. He and the three ANC officials were due to meet again last Thursday.

Mr Nhlanhla and Mr Lekota could not be reached for comment last night.

General van der Westhuizen has for some months been among the most controversial — and inaccessible — of senior SADF officers. His name appeared on the alleged (Matthew) Goniwe "death warrant" signal, published on May 8. He was then a brigadier in charge of Eastern Province Command. The signal is alleged to have requested permission for the "permanent removal from society" of Mr Goniwe and two other activists.

He was also the founder in 1983 of the "Hammer" unit, an SADF group set up to counter black resistance. "Hammer" has been repeatedly implicated in the Goniwe killings, and is currently the subject of a probe.

General van der Westhuizen was again in the spotlight last month when it was revealed that two SADF intelligence agents had been arrested in London on suspicion of involvement in an alleged "plot" to kill renegade policeman Dirk Coetzee.

One of the agents, Leon Flores, has been fired after a departmental investigation. His associate, Captain Pamela du Randt — a former personal assistant to General van der Westhuizen — was cleared by the department.



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## X ANC man in court

Court Reporter

AN ANC executive member, Mr Mohammed Valli Moosa, appeared in the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court yesterday.

He was previously brought before Mr D van der Walt on five charges relating to traffic offences.

The tickets were in the

name of the African Scholarship Trust Fund.

Yesterday the prosecutor, Mr S Kobeli, requested that all five charges be withdrawn as it had been ascertained that Mr Moosa had already left the African Scholarship Trust Fund at the time of the alleged offences and was therefore not the designated representative.



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## 'SAP biased in favour of Whites and ANC'

DURBAN. — The Inkatha Freedom Party (IFP), yesterday claimed the SAP reward system relating to information and arrests of political murderers was heavily in favour of the White community and the African National Congress (ANC).

In a statement, Mr Ed Tillet called on the SAP to clarify and define the criteria used in determining reward offers for political assassinations and massacres.

This follows the failure of the SAP to offer a reward leading to the arrest of the killers of

Richmond "induna", Mr Fana Nzimande and five members of his family who were murdered in Nkoben at the weekend.

Mr Tillet said the SAP mustered all their resources and available manpower for man-hunts when White people were murdered, yet "not one police reward has been offered for the 225 IFP leaders assassinated in recent years".

He also charged the SAP seemingly concentrated its efforts on apprehending the killers of Black leaders only when

pressured to do so by the ANC and other sympathetic organisations, or when its national and international credibility was at stake.

"This inequitous system is still rooted in apartheid and needs to be urgently re-evaluated and overhauled."

• Mr Tillet said the IFP had appealed to the public to contribute food for about 120 refugees who had fled Nkoben since the weekend killings of the Nzimande family. He added food parcels could be left at the IFP office at Pietermaritzburg. — Sapa.



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## Two policemen gunned down at hostel

TWO policemen were injured, one seriously, when they were attacked

by five armed men while they were guarding a Mamelodi hostel.

The SAP said Constable M J Maputa (23), and Constable V B Shibambi (23), had been sitting in a guards' room at the hostel in the Pretoria township when five men kicked the door in and fired at them.

Const Shibambi is in a serious condition in H F Verwoerd Hospital with several wounds in his chest, neck and stomach.

Const Maputa, whose service pistol was stolen, is in a satisfactory condition.

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## Police, pupils clash at disused school

CAPE TOWN. — Several people were injured in Mowbray yesterday when police acted against protesting Khayelitsha pupils who pulled down the fence of a disused White school and occupied school buildings.

A large contingent of policemen, who were on the premises of Tafelberg Primary School, attempted to stop the rush of protesters by firing teargas canisters and us-

ing teargas spray.

Among those injured during or after the police action was a member of the Internal Stability Unit, who was hit by a brick.

An SABC cameraman filming the incident was slightly injured when hit on the chest with a metal pipe thrown by one of the pupils.

Three pupils were slightly injured when they fled across Main Road to avoid arrest.

Traffic along both lanes of Main Road was disrupted for about six

hours. The 20 buses used to ferry in about 800 pupils blockaded the road.

Tafelberg Primary, which has been vacant for two years, was renamed Thandokulu Secondary School during a mass action campaign at the beginning of the month.

Police said about R5 000 damage was caused by pupils yesterday.

day.

Pupils threw stones, bottles and pieces of metal at police. The police then moved in to remove the protesters from the school grounds.

He said five policemen were injured and the tyres of police vehicles were slashed.

A police dog was beaten with a stick. — Sapa.



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cions that he had been a victim of a political assassination.

The three suspects were arrested at the weekend and their case was postponed to September 22.

The court hearings have all been in camera and police only released the names of the three men on Tuesday after an identification parade.

Police were still searching for a fourth suspect.

An ANC Eastern Cape branch member said the family of Mr Ncinane and Mr Mali as well as members of the ANC had been given access to visit the two in prison yesterday afternoon.

Earlier this week, the ANC slammed the SA Police for conducting a trial through the media and for making statements and allegations before evidence was brought to court.

A former Hammer Unit member has dismissed claims of covert operations and hit squads as nonsense, saying mem-

bers saw the unit as an opportunity to avoid lengthy army camps.

In an interview, the man admitted he had been a member of the Hammer Unit from September 1986 to June 1987 and a major in the SADF civilian force reserves. He asked to remain anonymous.

"For many it was a challenge. Our initial training of two weeks was tough. We started out as 80 men but in the end only 20 remained. When we finished the training we felt like we had accomplished something, like running the Comrades.

"Until now, being a member of the unit was something to be proud of but now I don't want my certificate or any photographs on display because the public's image of us is so bad. They think of us as a death squad when it was nothing of the sort."

Asked about the men who formed the unit, he said most were family men and good Christians from all walks of life.

While there may have been "bad apples", the vast majority were decent, honest and good soldiers.

Many of the men were self-employed, and others could not afford to spend a long time away from their work by doing long army camps.

"If anyone knew they were Hammer now it could have a bad affect on their business or chances of promotion, or they could even lose their jobs. Imagine a former Hammer man trying to negotiate with a trade union."

Asked to describe how the unit functioned, he said members were "extra hands on deck" for the police.

"We assisted the police and never worked without a policeman. We worked all hours of the day and night in groups of 10 or 20. Most of our work was anti-crime rather than anti-terrorist."

"Numbers depended on what we were doing. We worked well with the police often in recovering stolen weapons. I never

witnessed any atrocities and I was never approached to participate in something illegal.

"Matthew Goniwe's killing was disgusting. There is a difference between upholding the law, shooting at someone if they are shooting at you, and murdering people."

Reaction force members did occasionally wear balaclavas but there was nothing sinister in this, he said.

"When businessmen in the unit were working in an area where they thought they might be recognised they wore a balaclava because of possible repercussions. It was basically for safety and it made good sense."

Asked what he thought should be done to clear the name of Hammer, he said that while he was not in a position to tell the SADF what to do, he thought an investigation involving the Goldstone Commission would be a good idea.

"Then if there is any dirty linen my organisation brought out in the open."



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# ANC admits: 2 Addo accused are MK men

By Vivian Warby  
and Sapa

THE ANC's Eastern Cape branch yesterday confirmed that two of the three men arrested in connection with the murder of Addo farmer, Mr Andre de Villiers were registered members of the ANC's military wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe (MK).

The two MK members, who appeared briefly in the Magistrate's Court in Kirkwood on Tuesday, are Mr Xolani Ncinane

(23), and Mr Tamsanqa Oliver Mali (22).

A third suspect, Mr Lindile Sitemela (23), was not an ANC or MK member. He appeared in a separate court hearing on Monday.

Mr De Villiers, who

had allegedly been supplying information about a SADF Hammer Unit, was gunned down outside his Eastern Cape home on Monday of last week. His death raised suspi-

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# 3 die in train attack

By Sapa and  
Kevin Flynn

THREE East Rand railway commuters were killed and seven were injured in a train attack on the Johannesburg-Springs line yesterday morning.

A group of young men, who according to eyewitnesses had been singing ANC freedom songs, attacked train commuters causing panic-stricken passengers to

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jump from the moving train," Springs police liaison officer Capt Ida van Zweel said.

When the train arrived at Springs, police found the bodies of three commuters on the train.

One of the dead had been shot in the mouth at close range and the other two had been shot in the chest. Two of the injured had been shot and five had sustained either broken legs from jumping from the train, or knife or panga wounds.

The injured have been admitted to the Boksburg-Benoni Hospital,

and two are in a serious condition.

The SAP have named the injured as: Mr Samuel Musetsho (44), Mr Mak-hosi Zimba (26), Mr El-phibis Molefe (40), Mr Izak Dlangamandla (27), Mr Samuel Phako (23), Mr Mpho Phako and Mr Williams Mahashe (no ages given).

The names of the dead have been withheld until their families have been informed.

A boycott of commuter trains might be implemented if killings continued unchecked, African National Congress PWV spokesman Ronnie Mamoepe warned yester-

day.

Mr Mamoepe and delegates from the SA National Civic Organisation, SA Communist Party, Congress of SA Trade Unions and SA Railways and Harbour Workers' Union led journalists to the scene of Tuesday's shooting at a Johannesburg railway station. Eight people were injured in the attack.

The delegation blamed the South African Rail and Commuter Services Corporation and the Ministry of Law and Order for not "implementing the May 14, 1992 agreement".

According to the del-

egation the agreement stated: "There shall be policemen in every train, every station and every platform. Every entrance and exit gate of every platform shall be manned by policemen and passengers shall always be searched."

None of this was evident during the 45-minute visit by journalists and the delegation. Passengers on the 12.30 pm Soweto-bound 9366 train on Platform 2 said "sometimes policemen bask in the sun on the platforms or sleep in coaches".

"Hardly 24 hours have passed after the shooting on this platform (Platforms 1 and 2) but there is no security," noted Mr Mamoepe.

The delegation was also concerned there has been no compensation for the families and victims of train killings and shootings.

"The lack of commitment from the other signatories to the agreement clearly tells us the government benefits from these killings", the delegation claimed.

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# 15 SAP GENERALS TO BE RETIRED

Police  
HQ to  
be like  
FBI

## 15 SAP generals to go

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divided into regions, each with an officer of the rank of major-general as regional commissioner.

These existing regions are likely to be maintained in the restructuring, which could include the appointment of a number of Black generals.

The plan, The Citizen understands, was finally given the green light at a meeting between the police hierarchy, the Ministry of Law and Order

and President De Klerk in Nylstroom on Monday.

The officers and generals who are to leave the force under the restructuring are said to be mainly those nearing retirement, most of them based at headquarters.

Each of the regions is eventually to become autonomous, and the present system of transfers from one part of the country to another will no longer be applicable.

The aim is to keep — and recruit — policemen in areas in which they

live, making the police more community based.

The regional forces will, however, be able to use the centralised records and other facilities provided by the existing headquarters.

The plan includes the financing of the regional police structures by regional governments in the new South Africa.

It is understood that the present Commissioner of Police, General Johan van der Merwe, will head the FBI type centralised structure.

By Tony Stirling

FIFTEEN police generals and a number of senior officers are expected to be retired from the force under a plan to regionalise the entire police force.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Hernus Kriel, is expected to announce the changes at a Press conference in Pretoria today.

The plan to reorganise the police into regions on lines operating in the United States has been under discussion for some time, and a comprehensive document on the subject was drawn up.

Under the plan, each of the existing police regions is to become a separate entity, financed at regional level, as part of a more community-orientated force.

The existing police headquarters, which has access to sophisticated computer networks with records on criminals, a forensic department and the country's fingerprinting records, will become the equivalent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in the United States.

Under its existing structure, the police force is

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## THE CITIZEN COMMENT

### Private armies

YOU may be nonplussed by the decision of the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Hernus Kriel, only to monitor the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging's training camps and activities.

After all, didn't Mr Kriel introduce the Criminal Law Second Amendment Act under which organisations with a military character are prohibited from organising, training, equipping or arming members or supporters to perform tasks that the South African Police and Defence Force carry out?

The AWB's Wenkommandos are not being trained just to provide its leader, Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche, with uniformed men and women whom he can parade when the occasion arises.

Or to give curious journalists the chance, from time to time, to photograph masked men undergoing secret training.

Mr Terre'Blanche has made it clear, over and over again, that if the ANC comes to power, the AWB will fight the new government.

That is why the unit is a paramilitary one.

The fact that the AWB uses Nazi-style insignia and is regarded as a neo-Nazi organisation adds to the anxieties about its purpose.

In numbers it is not a serious factor — and as we said recently, it is more bombast than real threat — but it could create a lot of trouble if Mr Terre'Blanche carried out his we'll-fight-them warnings.

Mr Terre'Blanche actually invited the police to monitor his training camps.

But he challenged the "Communists and Umkhonto we Sizwe" to let the police monitor their camps as well.

This was "so we can see who are the aggressors and a threat to human life, when they prepare bombs to take the lives of women and children".

If the Minister really wished to put a stop to paramilitary organisations, he would declare them all illegal.

Clearly, the government is not prepared to go that far.

It is not that it does not want to tangle with the AWB. It is simply that it would have to ban all the other paramilitary structures, like Umkhonto we Sizwe, the military wing of the ANC.

It would also have to see to it that MK's arms caches are handed over.

Beyond calling for the surrender of these caches, and being rebuffed every time, the government has not done anything to force the issue.

On the contrary, there are reports of some kind of deal which will ensure that MK will be incorporated into a "democratic" SADF, if not now, then certainly after an interim government exercises control of the armed forces.

Mr Kriel emphasises the government and SAP have no objection to the concept of individual self-defence.

The ANC has organised township self-defence units on the pretext that it must protect the community from attack.

Some of these self-defence units have been out of control in some areas, notably the Vaal Triangle.

The AWB also claims its units are for self-defence — before, that is, they are committed to do battle with an ANC government.

The government can hardly ban AWB "self-defence" units and allow ANC-run "self-defence" units.

It is, we are afraid, an as-you-were situation, with all organisations able to arm and train for self-defence — or any other purposes so long as they do not usurp the functions of the SAP and SADF.

While we have paramilitary organisations and armed self-defence units, and organisations fighting a bloody battle for power, this country is not going to get over its endemic violence.

All we can say is: Help!

Are we ever going to get to the stage when organisations lay down their arms and pledge themselves to live in peace with each other?

Are we ever going to get to the stage where no organisation is allowed to run a private army?

For the foreseeable future, it seems, the answer to both questions is No.



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## Political killings are still sweeping Natal

DURBAN. — Political killings continued to sweep through Natal townships this week with at least 12 deaths reported after a weekend in which 19 people died violently in the province.

KwaZulu Police and the SAP yesterday reported ongoing killings in Umbumbulu, Umlazi and Wembezi the previous day.

In the worst incident, KZP spokesman Col

Moses Khanyile said five people were stabbed to death in Thoyana Reserve, Umbumbulu, about 7 am on Tuesday.

"Five bodies were found lying in the open. They had stab and deep cut wounds all over their bodies," said Col Khanyile.

He had no further details and said police were doing everything to bring the murderers to book.

The African National Congress (ANC) and Inkatha Freedom Party (IFP) said they were investigating the killings.

Umbumbulu has been the site of ongoing clashes between supporters of these organisations.

In a separate incident in Umbumbulu on Tuesday, a 60-year-old man was shot dead about 11 pm. He was asleep at home when he was killed.

In another incident, Col Khanyile said a taxi passenger was shot dead in Umbumbulu about 5.30 am on Tuesday. He said this killing could have been linked to an attempted robbery.

At Umlazi, police said a group of men from Malukazi settlement attacked houses in Umlazi on Tuesday, leaving two people dead. The attackers were armed with guns and handgrenades, said Col Khanyile.

He said those killed lived in an IFP strong-

hold.

The attack follows one on the ANC stronghold of Malukazi at the weekend in which four people were killed and at least 40 shacks were gutted.

Meanwhile, the SAP yesterday reported two deaths in Wembezi, outside Estcourt in the Midlands. It supplied no further details.

Pietermaritzburg police spokesman Capt Henry Budhram reported another death there on Tuesday. He said Mr Alfred Khoza was shot dead while waiting for a bus in Wembezi.

The killings in Wembezi come ahead of a visit there this weekend by ANC president Nelson Mandela.

"There's an unacceptable level of tension in Wembezi, and you can expect trouble there," IFP spokesman Mr Ed Tillet commented yesterday.

And while ANC Wembezi branch chairman Mr Paul Mkhize claimed Inkatha supporters had vowed to disrupt Mr Mandela's visit and rally there on Saturday, Mr Tillet in turn alleged ANC youths were harassing and taunting IFP supporters by telling them "when Mandela comes, we will finish you".

"Absolute rubbish," responded Mr Mkhize. — Sapa.



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# Cross-examination: 'No deal to exempt Min Wessels'

THERE had been no agreement to have a government Minister exempted from cross-examination during a Goldstone Commission hearing in Pretoria on Tuesday, Judge R J Goldstone said yesterday.

"I am concerned at Press reports today of an agreement entered into by the committee inquir-

ing into hostels and the Minister of Local Government and National Housing (Leon Wessels) to the effect that the Minister would not be cross-examined and would not be recalled. That is incorrect," said Mr Justice Goldstone in a statement.

"The proceeding yes-

terday was in the nature of a preliminary inquiry, a procedure which has been adopted by the commission a number of times in the past. At such a preliminary inquiry, the parties explain their views and outline the evidence available to them. They do so on oath."

Questions are put by members of the commission and by the commission's counsel. That is the procedure which the committee had decided would be followed yesterday (Tuesday), and which will be followed tomorrow (Thursday) when representatives of the ANC and IFP, respectively, will testify. No question of recall was relevant.

"The procedure which I have described was explained to the Minister's counsel by the chairman of the committee, Adv R Nugent, yesterday morning before the Minister testified.

"In so far as it might be necessary, I would like to emphasise that if any member of the Cabinet has evidence which is considered by the commission to be relevant to an inquiry, he or she will have no greater or lesser rights than any other person called to testify. To the extent that a different impression has been created for whatever reason, is regrettable," the statement said. — Sapa.



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## Witness protection programme 'working'

THE Goldstone Commission's witness protection programme is now in operation, the commission

Anyone may apply for protection if he is likely to give material evidence to the commission or has already done so, "and has reason to believe his safety or that of...his family...is threatened as a result" of his testimony, said the Goldstone statement.

Applications for protection would be considered by the commission's chairman, Mr Justice Richard Goldstone.

The commission, which is investigating intimidation and violence, has appointed National Peace Secretariat executive director Deon Rudman as the security director for the protection programme.

A security officer would be appointed to look after the protected person, the statement said.

"Any suitable person can be appointed as a security officer, whether a public official or private

individual."

Mr Rudman would choose the security officer in consultation with Mr Justice Goldstone and the SA Police Commissioner. However: "The identity of the security officer need not be made known to any officer of the South African Police."

The normal period of protection would be a maximum of three months after testimony, but could be extended at Mr Justice Goldstone's discretion.

The programme provided for board and lodging, clothing, medical attention and compensation for lost earnings. Complaints by the protected person would be immediately brought to the attention of Mr Rudman or Mr Justice Goldstone.

"It is a criminal offence for any person to furnish information concerning the identity or whereabouts of a protected person without the permission of the chairman," said the Goldstone statement.

Protection arrangements would be made in

full consultation with the person seeking protection.

Applications for the programme can be made to Mr Rudman at his office in Pretoria. The contact telephone number is (012) 320-4640.

The commission also referred to the recently amended statute which empowered it to appoint pro Deo counsel for witnesses where it considered that to be in the interests of its investigation function.

The state would bear the costs of this legal representation. — Sapa.



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## Apla 'commander' makes military claims

A MAN calling himself Karlson Zimbiri, the purported national high commander of the PAC's Azanian Peoples Liberation Army, yesterday claimed military activities by Apla cadres had taken place over a wide area from Cape Town to the Vaal Triangle.

"After my return from Dar-es-Salaam in Tanza-

nia, where I was promoted to national high commander of the Azanian forces, the forces on the ground in Azania have reported widespread activity," said the man, who has repeatedly called Sapa, claiming responsibility for attacks on security forces.

"Our mission to make our people aware of our task and the reasons for it has now paid off. Apla has received extensive support from the masses. In Sebokeng, the residents themselves are now attacking the police. Now, not only Apla attacks the security forces, but also members of the self-defence units," he said.

He claimed he had re-

ceived reports of Apla activities from cadres in Katlehong, Kagiso, Vosloorus, Durban, Pietermaritzburg, Khayelitsha (Cape Town) and townships in East London.

"Apla will within a month come out with its view on negotiations. As the masses know, Apla has its own operations and administration and will decide on the question of negotiations after broad consultations, particularly with the political leadership," he said.

PAC secretary-general Benny Alexander last night would not comment on any Apla statement, saying the military wing had operational independence. — Sapa.



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# Indemnity: MK man applies to set aside decision

By Ilse de Lange

A MEMBER of the ANC's military wing, who was allegedly responsible for the murder of a policeman in the Ellisras district in August 1988 as well as the attempted murders of a police sergeant and two civilians, yesterday applied to the Pretoria Supreme Court to set aside a decision by the State President not to grant him indemnity on the charges.

MK member, Mr Jacob Rapholo, is seeking an order, directing the State President to grant him in-

demnity in terms of the Indemnity Act of 1990 in respect of a charge of murder and three of attempted murder.

It is alleged that he murdered Constable Nikolaas Cornelius Claassen and attempted to murder Sergeant Willem Johannes Jacobus van Rooyen on August 8, 1988, when an MK unit under Mr Rapholo's command allegedly set up an ambush for South African security forces and attacked a patrol with machine-guns and handgrenades.

Mr Rapholo is also facing a charge of attempting to murder Mr Willem Johannes Jacobus van Rooyen, an employee of SA Transport Services, who was shot from the back of a police vehicle shortly after Mr Rapholo's arrest on January 12, 1990.

It is further alleged that he had attempted to murder a civilian, Mr Otto Bousema van Dyk, who was shot during a robbery.

Mr Rapholo initially faced 17 charges, including further charges of at-

tempted murder, robbery charges and several charges under the Arms and Ammunition Act.

He was granted unconditional indemnity by the State President on July 10 last year in respect of 13 of the charges, with the exception of the four remaining counts.

Mr Rapholo submitted in court papers that, even if the State could prove every allegation contained in the indictment against him, he was nevertheless entitled to unconditional indemnity in respect of the four charges, as the motive for the alleged crimes had been political.

The Minister of Justice, Mr Kobie Coetsee, in court papers pointed out that, although even a serious crime like murder could in certain circumstances be regarded as a political offence which qualifies for indemnity, it did not mean that all murders committed with a political motive should be indemnified without regard to the circumstances under which it was committed.

The application continues before Mr Justice Van Dijkhorst.



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## 50 dead, 71 injured last week — HRC

FIFTY violent deaths and 71 injuries were recorded during the week ending on Tuesday, the Human Rights Commission yesterday reported.

"The death toll was lower than last week's total of 76, but the injury toll remained constant," the HRC said.

Vigilante-related actions accounted for 35 deaths and 46 injuries, with clashes reported in

the PWV area, Natal and the eastern Transvaal.

The HRC said a disturbing incident of vigilante-related activity, resulting in eight injuries, happened in the eastern Transvaal where attackers were apparently brought to the area and taken out afterwards.

"In the past months, the eastern Transvaal remained unaffected by the vigilante violence raging in the PWV area and Na-

tal and the HRC is concerned that this incident could be a provocation leading to an outbreak of violence in this area," the HRC said.

The HRC also highlighted the increase in train attacks, which resulted in nine deaths and 33 injuries.

In Natal, the South Coast continued to be a flashpoint while incidents in the Midlands, which had been relatively quiet during the past few weeks, accounted for eight deaths, of which six occurred in an attack on the home of a headman.

Security force actions accounted for one death, eight injuries and eight arrests.

Three separate incidents resulting in eight injuries, were recorded in the Ciskei and there was speculation increased security force action was probably in response to a strong show of ANC support in the area as well as the deaths of four security force members and the injury of five others last week, the HRC said. —



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# ANC gears up for protest

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THE joint secretariat of the ANC/Cosatu/SACP alliance has endorsed a plan for the last round of mass action to force government to meet its demands.

The action programme includes the disruption of Parliament when it reconvenes in October, a march on the Ciskei capital Bisho, a campaign to put pressure on employers to withhold from government the PAYE payments of employees who do not have the vote, and the occupation of national buildings and roads.

The joint secretariat endorsed the programme at a meeting on Sunday. The programme is the last phase, dubbed Exitgate, of the alliance's mass action aimed at forcing government to meet its demands.

Demands include an end to violence and the speedy establishment of a constituent assembly.

The alliance's campaigns committee national co-ordinator Mandla Dhlamini said yesterday that although alliance leaders had endorsed

the programme, they still had to refer the details to their respective constituencies.

The ANC's national working committee and Cosatu's central executive committee would meet tomorrow and Friday "to rubber stamp the programme", Dhlamini said.

The ANC's national executive committee and the SACP's central executive committee would meet next week.

Dhlamini said the alliance's campaigns committee would meet in the first week of September to decide how to implement the programme.

September had been earmarked as a month during which protest campaigns against homelands should be intensified, Dhlamini said, adding that the focus would be on QwaQwa, Ciskei and Bophuthatswana.

It is understood that the alliance plans to march on Bisho on September 9.

On August 4 there was a lengthy

stand-off between Ciskeian security forces and about 50 000 alliance supporters who marched from nearby King William's Town as part of mass action. Members of the national peace secretariat were instrumental in defusing the volatile situation.

Dhlamini said members of the alliance would march on the SA/Mozambican border to protest against the electric fence "which has killed many people".

He said the alliance planned to occupy Parliament on October 12 and to "make it difficult for MPs to enter it when it reconvenes".

Between October 12 and 19 the alliance would occupy Jan Smuts Airport, the Johannesburg Stock Exchange and the M1 freeway. Occupations of prisons were also planned for that period.

A campaign to put pressure on employers to withhold from government PAYE payments by employees who did not have the vote, would also be embarked upon, Dhlamini said.



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## Generals' jobs on the line in police shake-up

TIM COHEN

PRETORIA — Sweeping changes in the SAP are imminent, including the retirement of at least 10 generals, in an effort to boost the force's credibility and improve community relations.

The reorganisation and revitalisation of the SAP, discussed at yesterday's Cabinet meeting, was also aimed at ensuring that the force was representative of all SA's communities, senior police sources said. A police major described the changes as "a move towards affirmative action".

It is thought likely that of the staff of 52 generals, all of whom are white, between

10 and 15 will be asked to retire to make way for at least three black candidates.

Incorporated in the shake-up will be the creation of the post of chief of community policing — as suggested by Law and Order Minister Hernus Kriel earlier this year.

The streamlining of the general staff, which was expanded as part of a regionalisation drive a few years ago, would be part of the process.

The retirements are possible because of new legislation which allows policemen to

go on pension at 50 instead of 55 because of the stresses inherent in their jobs.

It is understood Police Commissioner Gen Johan van der Merwe is not likely to retire, but one name mentioned is KwaZulu police chief Maj-Gen Jack Buchner. Although 53-year-old Buchner is a firm believer in community policing, he has been criticised by political groups who claim the KwaZulu Police functions as Inkatha's private army.

Law and Order spokesman Capt Craig Kotze said an official statement on the matter would be released soon.



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## SAP pledges major security move on trains

RAY HARTLEY

POLICE would evaluate the security at Johannesburg railway station and decide whether it needed improving, SA Rail Commuter Corporation (SARCC) spokesman Koos Meyer said yesterday.

And police spokesman Capt Piet Brandt said police would announce today major changes that would affect the way they dealt with train security.

The developments follow the ANC's threat yesterday to renew its train boycott in protest against poor security.

Three commuters were shot dead and seven others injured between Johannesburg and Springs yesterday. And nine passengers were injured in gunfire at Johannesburg Station on Tuesday.

Meyer was speaking after an ANC-organised inspection by journalists of Johannesburg Station yesterday morning. The group, including journalists carrying camera bags, was not searched or scanned by metal detectors.

Few security guards were seen and at one platform there was no security at all.

Meyer said. "If we look at what police are doing, they really give of their best. Perhaps the group was there in the off-peak period. There are a number of roving police operators there.

"We are in the process of upgrading. I don't think anyone can accuse us of dragging our feet.

"As long as people die, it (security) is not enough," he said.

After the tour, the ANC said it was "quite clear" the SARCC had "done nothing" to implement the agreement, reached in May, to prohibit dangerous weapons.

ANC PWV spokesman Paul Mashatile said a combination of incompetence and a lack of commitment to end the killings were to blame for the delay.

Meyer said the SARCC was keen to discuss the issue with the ANC.

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