

# Azapo expels PE 'leader' Maqina



**'Rev' MAQINA**  
Kicked out

THE MAN who was directly responsible for last year's Azanian People's Organisation-United Democratic Front clashes has been expelled from Azapo.

And, says Azapo president Saths Cooper, self-styled priest, "reverend" Mzwandile Maqina - expelled for breaching Azapo's code of conduct - was never even an official of the organisation.

Maqina, head of the Port Elizabeth vigilante group Roots, led Azapo members in their bloody clashes with UDF supporters in PE townships last year in which more than a dozen people died - clashes which led to confrontations between the two organisations throughout the country.

And on Wednesday - just days after his expulsion - Maqina gave evidence for the State in a case involving a UDF activist who allegedly threw a hand grenade at Maqina's New Brighton home.

The decision to expel Maqina was taken by Azapo's Eastern Cape executive, Cooper told City Press. And he said that, although Maqina had acted as PE leader and spokesman for Azapo, he had never been an office-bearer.

He said Maqina's expulsion would be discussed at an Azapo central committee to be held soon.

An ex-teacher, playwright and former political detainee, Maqina shot into prominence when he founded the iBanda Likantu Church in New Brighton and Roots.

As self-proclaimed "Azapo leader" in PE, he vehemently opposed PE's highly-successful March 15-18 Black Weekend stayaway and school boycott. This action started the UDF-Azapo confrontations - the UDF-affiliated PE Civic Association and the now-banned Congress of SA Students had organised the Black Weekend.

Unconfirmed reports from PE say Maqina is blaming a group of "young Indians" in Azapo for his expulsion, and has told colleagues "the power struggle in Azapo" had forced him out. Maqina was not available for comment this week.

## Khutsong funerals banned

By HERMAN LETSIE

THE TWO funeral services scheduled for this weekend in Khutsong near Carletonville, have been banned by Oberholzer Chief Magistrate RH Barnes.

The services were to have been held for Badirile High

By MONO  
BADELA

LESOTHO entered its 17th day under "seige" yesterday - virtually sealed off from the rest of the world by South Africa's massively increased "security checks" at all border posts.

And despite increasingly desperate shortages of petrol and fresh food - and a widely-reported "coup-attempt" on Wednesday morning - Prime Minister Leabua Jonathan's outspokenly anti-apartheid government remains firmly in control of the tiny mountain kingdom.

Lesotho Information Minister Desmond Sixishe denied there had been a coup attempt and said the rumour had been spread by the SABC, reports ZB MOLEFE.

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## Celebritie

By BOIKI MOTHEI

FOR an admission fee of R4, fans who go to Ellis Park Stadium tomorrow will get more than a view of the country's four top teams.

On display will be some of the country's top personalities - who will also kick around a soccer ball in the Iwisa Maize Meal Soccer Spectacular in aid of Operation Hunger.

The personalities start



**QOBOZA**  
Celebrities XI

playing at 4.45pm until 5.15pm - for 30 minutes only.

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By SIBUSISO MNGADI

DURBAN: lawyer Richard Lyster is living in fear of his life after receiving threatening phone calls from someone who accused him of being "an ANC spy".

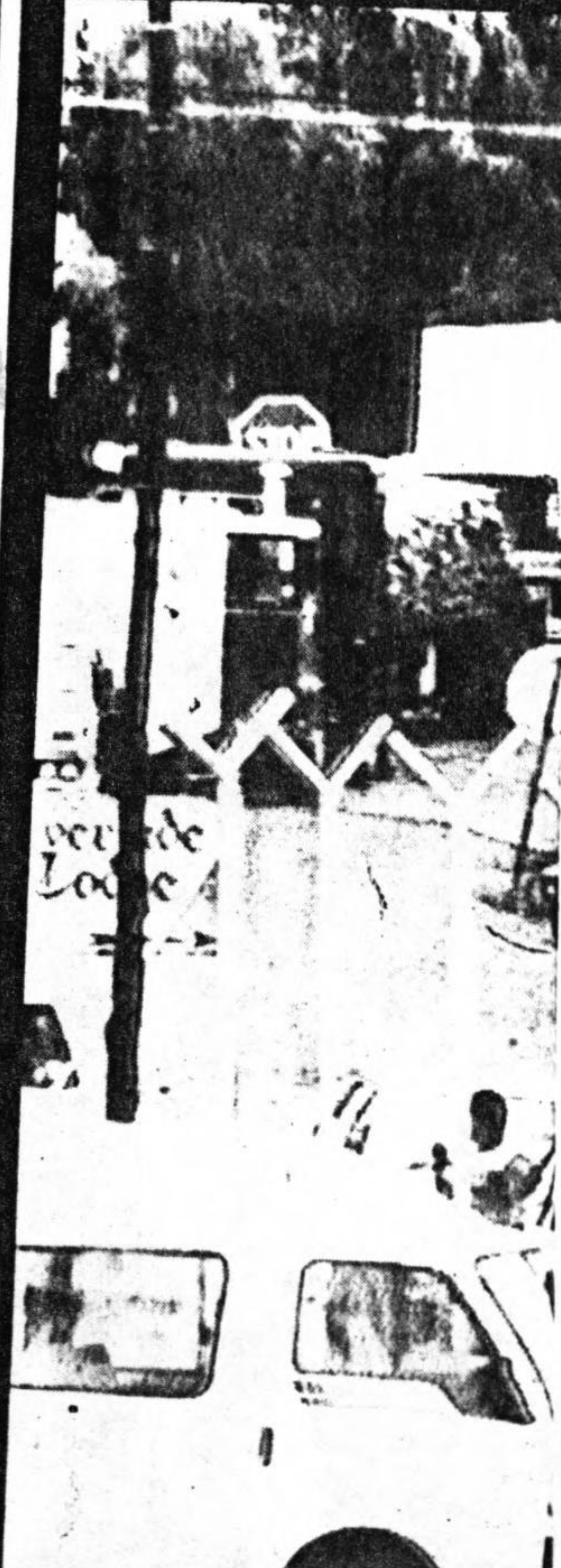
And in Cape Town Lyster's colleague Lee Bozalek - both lawyers work for the Legal Resources Centre - had his house burnt to ground this week.

## Durban lawyer told: 'We'll kill you, ANC'

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