First batch of exiles due in SA this week

THE first major group of exiles is due back in SA this week, opening the way for the return of an estimated 40 000 South Africans before April 31.

An ANC spokesman in Lusaka said yesterday the first group of 110 exiles would be flown from the Zambian capital on Thursday.

They will be using some of the 500 tickets donated earlier this year by the Swedish government, and will probably take an Air Zambia flight.

They are all members of the ANC.

The spokesman said indemnities had been granted by the SA government and, barring a few minor problems with temporary travel documents, they would arrive on Thursday afternoon.

He said members of the group would stay with their families on their return, although later groups would have to be housed in temporary camps until permanent accommodation could be found for them.

The exiles' return will fulfil one of the ANC's major preconditions for entering constitutional negotiations with government. Government reluctance on spelling out the role of the UN High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) is still holding up the process.

PATRICK BULGER

Home Affairs Minister Gene Louw is due to make a major announcement today which could clear the deadlock, although government sources felt a decision on the UNHCR would more likely be made by President F W de Klerk.

Spokesmen yesterday refused to say when government would give the final word on UNHCR involvement.

A UNHCR delegation which visited SA last month left the country apparently without being told whether their organisation would be called in to help.

A spokesman for the National Council for the Repatriation of SA Exiles, which is helping co-ordinate Thursday's return, said the organisation did not know whether the UNHCR would be called in.

Government's delay was holding up funding and logistical arrangements.

A European diplomatic source yesterday said UNHCR involvement was crucial if the necessary funds were to be raised to sponsor the operation, but government was keeping everybody guessing.

He said a UNHCR operation did not necessarily involve a high-profile UN presence in the country, which is one of government's objections to UNHCR involvement.

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"Third force' fuelling township civil war

'Hit squad' man claims police paid for shooting

BY ALL accounts, Sipho Madlala was visibly nervous as he walked into the offices of the Natal Witness, one of South Africa's most respected English-language liberal newspapers. He had every reason to be, for if the story he had to tell was true, his life was clearly in danger.

He wanted to come clean, he told reporters, about the unsolved murder of Mhlabunzima Maphumulo, a Zulu chief who was a member of the African National Congress. The killing had been masterminded by the security police, he claimed, and he had been one of the assassins. Now he could no longer live with his conscience.

It was a sensational story. Madiala, 28, was apparently providing the first evidence of an officially sanctioned "third force" fomenting violence among blacks in South Africa with the aim of safeguarding white supremacy and sabotaging the transition to democracy.

The ANC has long been convinced that organs of the state are engineering much of the violence convolsing black townships. Holding the min-

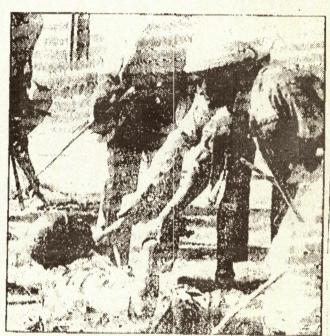
by Andrew Hogg Pietermaritzburg

isters of defence and law and order responsible, the ANC has told the government of President F W de Klerk that if he does not sack them by this Friday, it will break off negotiations on a future constitution.

Citing Madlala's testimony, the ANC accused the state of involvement in the murder of ANC and rival Inkatha party members to engineer revenge attacks by each group. The idea, according to the ANC, was to prove the "racist notion that black people are not yet fit to rule".

Madlala was a persuasive witness. He said he had been attached to the "intelligence unit of the military police" for the past 10 years. He had been paid about £1,600 for the murder of the Zuln chief

Before the operation, he and other members of the hit squad had been taken to a police station, shown photographs of the chief and told to get rid of him because "he was a problem to the state and a



Mounting violence: passers by come to the aid of a man attacked

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Mountain, a to that above to have all included the without his classified and its leader. Mangosothu Buthelezi, by leaving the inoveneed during the 1970s. Buthelezi later branded Maphumulo a "pathological lier".

This was dangerous enough. But the eniuty deepened even future, when Maphamulo assumed presidency of Contra-

in Soweto, left, while Zulu warriors in the township prepare for an attack on ANC supporters. Rumours of state involvement are rife

lesa, a group of traditional chiefs aligned to the ANC. After the release of Nelson Mandela last year, a mob of Inkatha supporters attacked the chief's homestead and he was forced to flee to a house in a quiet suburb of Pietermaritzburg. It was there that he was gunned down at the wheel of his Mercedes two months ago after returning home from a meeting.

The sprawling black areas

around Pictermaritzburg have been the scene of some of the worst clashes between the ANC and Inkatha in recent years. Yet the killing of Maphumulo sent shock waves through both the black and white communities.

In the days following his assassination, rumours abounded about the political persuasion of his murderers, with Inkatha supporters the clear favourites. But that was

to ignore dark whisperings of a power struggle said to be developing between Maphumulo and the ANC's regional leadership. It was also to disregard the complex nature of Zulu politics: for Maphumulo faced contenders to his title from within his immediate clan. Then Madiala made his astonishing claims.

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His testimony, though persuasive, has not conclusively proven that a "third force" is at work. There was little in Maddala's account of the killing that could not have been gleaned from newspaper reports. To prove he was a member of the intelligence unit of the Military Police (a unit the South African Defence Force denies exists), he presented an identity card. But it could have been forged.

The defence force and the police claimed that Madlala had acted for them as an informer. But there was no evidence that their personnel had been involved in the assassination, they said.

The case has highlighted the problems besetting both the government and the ANC in the days leading up to the ANC's ultimatum. For without hard evidence of a "third force", the government feels it

has nothing concrete to which it can respond.

Yet reputable sightings of police officers colluding with Inkatha members in township violence are too frequent to ignore. Most accept, however, that is is unlikely such activities are carried out with the approval of a government desperate to case sanctions and regain a place in international affairs.

Last week De Klerk unveiled a 10-point plan to tackle the violence. "We will not allow the country to deteriorate to a situation of chaos," he said. The plan includes reinforcing police and establishing a commission to investigate complaints related to violence.

If negotiations between the government and ANC break down, however, as now appears almost certain, matters are likely to get much worse before they get better. Last week's clashes between the ANC and Inkatha in townships around Johannesburg which left more than 100 dead, including two of Mandela's relatives - might yet be regarded as trivial. Some feat that the townships are aircady in a state of civil war, and that the war still has a long course to run.

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This is where the buck stops n sanctions

LIKE, troglodytes emerging from caves, they appear in the mornings at every set of traffic lights in Johannesburg's white suburbs, bearing pleas

for help written on remnants of cardboard boxes. "Family starving. Plese to help me," is typical of the messages thrust in the faces of commuters by the Abalambile (hungry ones), as they call themselves. The Abalambile began taking over traffic intersections last year, as un-

employment resulting from international economic sanc-tions against South Africa and recession deepened.

The typical uniform of one of the Abalambile is a tattered boiler suit, usually the wear-er's only redundancy compen-sation from his last employment. Jackonia Mkwanazi's boiler suit is wearing very thin, for it is three years since he was last able to find regular employ-ment in his trade as a paint

Mkwanazi, a 41-year-old father of three, is just one of more than six million adult males, most of them black, in a total South African populano work. Unemployment means total destitution, as there is no social security.

The unemployed either survive on the charity of rela-

vive on the charity of rela-tives, turn to crime, which is booming, or simply starve. Operation Hunger, South

by Fred Bridgland in Johannesburg

Africa's internal Oxfam, established in 1980 when evidence emerged of unexpectedly high levels of chronic malnutrition among rural black people, estimates that one child dies every 15 minutes from malnutrition and associated diseases. If Operation Hunger's calculations are accurate, it means that the international sanctions lobby is now killing far more black South Africans through starvation and povertyrelated disease than do the remaining doomed apartheid laws or the white regime's security forces.

Mkwanazi had been in regular employment most of his adult life until the factory where he worked in Alexandra, a small North Johannes-burg black township surrounded by leafy white suburbs, relocated. He was earning more than R600 (£125) a month, a good wage by current South African standards.

"I have never been unemployed for so long before," Mkwanazi said, as he pick-eted cars beneath the fourstar Sandton Sun Hotel. "If my mother dies, then the whole family is dead. There is

no one else to take over, Mkwanazi's widowed mother earns R400 (£83) a month as a supermarket cleaner. Her wage supports herself, Mkwanazi, his wife and their three children, and two of Mkwanazi's sisters and their four young children. They all live in a three-room Alexan-dra "matchbox" house.

Mkwanazi's situation is typical of South Africa's straitened circumstances, according to Operation Hun-ger, which has calculated that for every job lost as many as 10 dependants face destitu-

tion within two months. "I want a permanent job, cither spraying again or gar-dening," said Mkwanazi, speaking in Zulu. "But so many others are roaming around looking for jobs, it's impossible. Things are worse since the government ended influx-control, because everybody from the countryside is jamming into the cities. Everywhere you go the fac-tories and businesses have notices which say 'No Jobs'.' Mkwanazi's day begins at

6.30am when he sets out on the five-mile walk from Alex-

andra to his Sandton Sun pitch. He pickets during the morning rush-hour, at lunchtime and in the evening, resting between times on the grass verges with fellow Abalambile. "Sometimes you get a temporary job, for between R8 and R20 (£1.85 and £4.60), but this year I have been given not one job," said Mkwanazi. "Some people are kind. They give a food parcel-

or 10 cents (one halfpenny).
"But the good ones are fewer than the cruel ones. Every day they tell me to go to Mr Tutu or Mr Mandela and tell them that I have nothing to cat. Sometimes they call me obscene names. Others tell me to get in their pick-up truck, and then they take me into the country and tell me to get out and walk back home."

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Nelson Mandela, deputy president of the African National Congress, continues to campaign for the maintenance of international economic sanctions until greater progress has been made towards universal political emancipation.
Last week, Chris Hani, chief of staff of the ANC's military wing, Unkhonto we Sizwe (Spear of the Nation) said in America that the ANC would deliberately destabilise South Africa to discourage foreign investment if the US moved to lift sanctions. Hani, who lives in Mandela's 14-room Soweto mansion, said: "It is not in our interest to stabilise the country said: "It is not in our interest to stabilise the country. Apartheid is oppressive, and we do not want apartheid to be healthy, fresh and kicking.

Mkwanazi said he and his fellow Abatambite would be happy for an end to sanctions if it meant they could get work. He said he looked ahead only one day at a time; and trusted no politicians. often think of robbing some-one," he mused. "I always reject that because it will make things worse if I go to prison. But there is no world for a person without money. If I had money I would go back to the countryside, away from the trouble, and build a big family house. But it won't happen, and I tear my chil-dren will lead much the same kind of life.

Mkwanazi seemed genu-inely puzzled when asked how he valued the vote that will come his way for the first time within four years in the new South Africa. "Will I be voting for a job?" he asked. He has clearly seen the writing on the wait,

The European Community has lifted some curbs and promises to lift others once the lasts apartheid laws are repealed with the same

Scandinavian countries which under Archbishop Tutu's urging, imposed sauctions, have reopened embassies here and are considering lifting sanctions.

The United States yesterday reassured South Africa that President Bush will move to end sanctions once the remaining conditions of the Comprehensive Anti-Apartheld Act

Mr Herman Cohen, the US Under-Secretary of State for African Affairs, told the media in Cape Town yesterday that the timing was up to the South African Government, but he believed the "moment of decision" was near.

The archbishop and other church leaders also seem to be increasingly worried about the Black on Black violence in the townships,

More than 4 000 Blacks have died in Natal; township violence on the Reef lias claimed 1 200 lives since last August.

In a sermon last week, Archbishop, Tutu urged Blacks to take responsibility for ending the violence.

"We have to turn the spotlight on ourselves and ask what is, in fact, happening to us as a people; as a Black community (One has to say that, clearly, we are beginning to be the victims of a culture of violence" (a point The Citizen has made in several leading articles). "We ought to be inculcating in our people an attitude that says: Of course apartheid has a great deal to answer for, but we cannot forever be seeking to use it as an alibi,"

The Rey Frank Chikane, general secretary of the South African Council of Churches, yesterday also came out against violence, which

he described as endemic.

"We believe as churches that the violence threatens the process of negotiation in the country and will destroy the hopes people have for the future, and all efforts must be made to stop it."

We welcome the fact that Archbishop Tutuand the SACC have come out so strongly ngainst the violence.

Events are bringing a new awareness of the

terrible, things, that, are being, done, in the, battle for dominance in the townships,

WE have been waiting for the day when Arch? bishop Desmond Tutu suggested the possibil-... ity of lifting sanctions.

Yesterday he said that anti-apartheid leaders should discuss whether to ask the world to

begin lifting the curbs.

"Is there now cause for us to be looking at. when we should be the ones to take the initiative to determine whether (sanctions) should be lifted or not?" he said.

South African Blacks, not foreign govern ments, should decide when sanctions should

be lifted, he added;

His call suggests the Archbishop would not be averse to seeing sanctions go, especially as he? said that State President De Klerk's promise. to repeal apartheld by June, and his agrees ment to free political prisoners and allow exiles home, went a long way towards meet-, ing his own conditions for ending sanctions.

We have always condemned the leading role Archbishop Tutu took in getting sanctions imposed, The

We have commented frequently on the harm sanctions have done to the Black people. whom they were supposed to help.

And we have criticised the way the sanctioneers have tried to keep the curbs in place, on the pretext that Mr De Klerk's reforms could be reversed, when, in fact, the State President is ending apartheid and creating conditions for the negotiation of a new dispensation for a new South Africa.

It is a bit late in the day for Archbishop Tutu to change his tune, considering the thousands of people who have been put out of work because of the curbs and the flight of American companies from South Africa because of the divestment campaign of which Archie bishop Tutu was a leading proponent. With

Archbishop Tutu, of course, is bowing to the inevitable, and, judging from his remarks, does not want Mr De Klerk, the government The cradition r

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Eight arrested in wake of Alexandra shooting of 13

HIGHT men have been arrested: by police in connection with the killing of 13 people on March 27 in Alexandra, north of Johannes-

Police lialson officer Col-Frans Malherbe told a medla conference yesterday the arrests were a "breakthrough".

He said one man, Dixon Mbatha, 27, had been arrested on March 28. He had already ap-) peared in the Wynberg Magistrate's Office and had been a ed with other murders commitcharged with murder.

The seven other men were arrested by police on Wednesday

were being detained for questloning.

"There is a strong possibility that more arrests will follow, he said.

In addition to the arrests, Maiherbe sald police had confiscated on AK-47 rifle with a magazine and 30 live rounds and a .38 revolver with 10 rounds.

The weapons were undergoing ballistic tests and Malherbe sald It was likely they were connectted in Alexandra during the recent outbreak of violence.

. Commenting on reports that rested by ponce on wednesday was connected to a family feud Malherbe said police had information that contradicted this.

"The SAP denies that a family feud was responsible for the killing of these people," he said.

Police were investigating a political motive for the shootings, but he would not say whether the men acrested in connection with the massacre were hostel dwellers or township residents, i.y.

"At this stage I have been specifically asked not to reveal that information," Malherbe said, adding that all aspects of the case would be made known lat-

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Cooper is rooting for tolerance

By THEMBA KHUMALO

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Cooper, who served a six-year term on Robben Island in the late 70s, later told City Press he was "comfortable" -working for the institute.

"It's politically and intellectually challenging.
"I could never have been more satisfied," said-Cooper.



Saths Cooper ... back in the limelight.

Among guests at the ceremony were his former Azapo colleagues, Khehla Mihembu, Ishmael Mkhabela and Lusiba Ntloko. Other guests were Gaby Magomola, James Ngcoya, Helen Suzman, Walter Sisulu and diplomats from the German, Japanese and American embassies.

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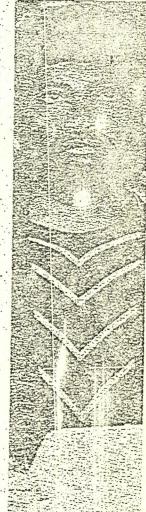
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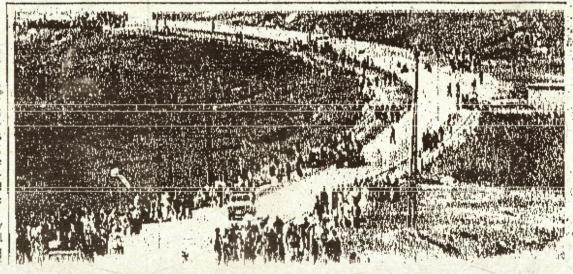
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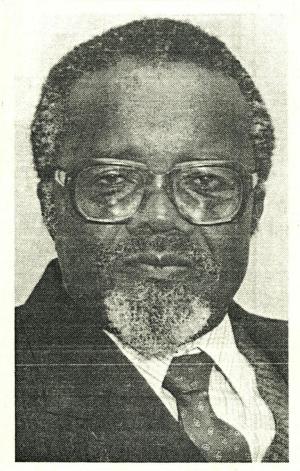
When asked If he was ducted by Renters and saying it was time to start Viznews on Wednesday, Hifting sanctions, he repiled: "Archbishop Desmond Tutu Is not saying so yet, Because Archsmietlons had been "as i bishop Desmond Tutu is successful, as we could saying that it is important; very crucial, that there must be prior consultation with the oppressed and the leadership of the oppressed",

During the interview the archbishop also said



THE NAME WITNESS - SAT. May 5-1990 A veteran of Natal politics

As the ANC prepares to open its office in Pietermaritzburg, STEPHEN COAN interviewed the Natal midlands leader of the organisation, Harry Gwala.



HARRY GWALA, ANC regional convenor, Natal midlands.

SITTING in the bare new ANC offices (the furniture is due to arrive on Monday) I asked Harry Gwala how he became involved in politics.

GWALA: In 1942 when I was still a schoolteacher in a school close to Pietermaritzburg in Slangspruit. I had some friends who were attending political discussions and they invited me along. The discussions were so interesting that I began to understand our society. I joined the SACP in 1942—then it was called the Communist Party of South Africa - and I became a member of the ANC two years later. In 1942 the African National Congress was moribund in Natal. This was the time that Natal had seceded from the national organisation and formed the Natal ANC under the leadership of Dr Dube. In the course of time that Natal ANC almost went out of existence.

COAN: Why did such a situation arise? CUAN: Why did such a situation arise? GWALA: I'm not sure. But there is a tendency for Natal to be exclusive ... I notice now this breakaway tendency is expressing itself through Inkatha. Inkatha originally said it was following the path of the forefathers of the ANC and all along recognised the leadership of people like Chief Luthuli — then suddenly it became something independent a Natal affair as it were thing independent, a Natal affair as it were.

COAN: Could this be seen as a contributory factor to the current violence?

GWALA: In a way, yes. There is no one factor to the violence but so many contributory factors. When I was still in prison and there was this violence I took particular interest in it. I noticed a trend: conservative elements in the Cape and the Transvaal were involved with this violence and those conservative elements were rather tribalistic. And after that was when Inkatha became involved in the violence. At first the Chief Minister of KwaZulu said these people were protecting his name but we don't have to fight to protect our names. If you feel really aggrieved you can go to court to have your name cleared.

It began at the University of Zululand with the students. Now there is a new generation throughout the country that is radical and very much opposed to the bantustans. If you serve within these Government-created institutions they feel you are a sell-out. So when they prevented the chief minister from addressing the students there they were doing so because they said he was a creation of the bantustans. And the fighting started there when the students were assaulted and some of them killed . 4

COAN: Is there a way to resolve the conflict? GWALA: I was quoted in The Natal Witness

(May 2, 1990) as saying we shall wipe out Inkatha but my speech was in Zulu and not quoted in full. What I consider to be the major points in that speech were not embodied in what appeared in The Natal Witness. I don't think it was deliberate I pointed out you have a Minister of Police. Adriaan Vlok, who even before weighing up the facts of what was happening had already made up his mind that the ANC, United Democratic Front and Congress of South African Trade Unions were responsible for the violence in this area. I said once a minister says that you cannot expect those under him to hold a different point of view. About a week ago Magnus Malan, the Minister of Defence, also made a similar statement, that it was the ANC's policy of making the country ungovernable that was responsible for the violence. Once a minister says that, his army cannot be impartial.

I said it is the responsibility of the State President to call his ministers to order because people are losing confidence in what the police can do, particularly when the police go out of their way to assist Inkatha ... We have the reports that the police are not neutral parties, they only side with Inkatha and that Inkatha can only attack after the police have carried out their raids, arrested the youth and taken whatever weapons the people de-

fend themselves with.

In the KwaZulu Legislative Assembly the chief minister had said 'we must wipe off the map that muck in Edendale'. I said we were prepared and waiting for him and if he did so we should sweep out his forces that were attacking Edendale.

The people in the Edendale valley have never gone out of the boundaries of Edendale to attack Inkatha, they have always defended themselves and I said we shall defend ourselves successfully. We'll give them a hot reception.

COAN: You were also reported as making statements with regard to the taking over of farms.

GWALA: It was taken out of context. I said that according to the Freedom Charter the land belongs to those who work it. We are not talking about small pieces of land but these vast stretches of land which are owned by monopolies. Some of these people are in the United States, Britain, and

West Germany - that is the land which we'll take over. Obviously when you say the land belongs to those who work it, the farmers are working that land - it would be a contradiction to take that land but there are vast stretches of land where people only invest for profit.

COAN: You also called for the police and the

army to pull out of the townships.

GWALA: The ANC policy is clear that the army and the police should be pulled out of the townships. We say Inkatha will not be in a position to attack us because Inkatha is not strong enough to attack us . . . But the police harass and intimidate us. What is significant is that people on the receiving end are those who belong to the "mass democratic movement". But people like warlords who run around with their guns will be arrested today and out again tomorrow ... because the police are taking sides they must clear out of the townships.

The army itself is not in a very strong position because it is under that station commander in a particular area. When the kitskonstabels and the ZPs [KwaZulu Police] went out on a massacre at Magonggo the army was there. People asked the army to defend them and the army said "our hands are tied. We are told not to interfere"...

When we are talking about the army we don't concede that these mercenaries are part of the South African army - they are recruited from Angola and we demand the Government send these mercenaries back home. They can never be impartial, these are the people who committed dastardly acts in Angola and Namibia. Who were they fighting there? — the MPLA. And the ANC and Swapo were on the side of MPLA. Now the ANC is here. When the Minister of Police and the Minister of Defence say the ANC is responsible for the viohence, we can only draw one conclusion — they have come to fight they ANC in South Africa.

COAN: You have spoken of the armed struggle continuing. But at present it seems to be in abe-

vance

GWALA: Yes, it is in abeyance but it is one of the forms of struggle in this country and it won't be in abeyance all the time . . . no sane person will go to war for the sake of war - if we can solve our problems peacefully, so much the better. But as Comrade Nelson Mandela has so frequently stated we were forced into the position we are in today. It

was a very different South Africa until the end of the United Party regime. We could hold meetings, we could be communists, demonstrate, do all sorts of things. They had one particular law, the Riotous Assemblies Act, and there was no bloodshed then. Then the Nats came in and they suppressed everything . . . In the past you could be detained for 48 hours - you had legal rights. You would give your name and address and then say you would only speak in the presence of a lawyer. You weren't assaulted in detention. But things changed. Bones have been broken, lives have been lost since the Nats took over. They have created a state of war in this country... we have been forced into this war situation by the way we have been treated under the Nationalist Government.

COAN: The ANC's statements with regard to nationalisation have been cause for concern.

GWALA: I grew up in South Africa and there was nationalisation in this country then. Up to the present day there has been national sation. Up to now no one has found anything wrong with that. It's only now when they are denationalising. We are faced with a great imbalance in this country, we have millions of people without houses, without land, poor pay, poor education. How do you propose to put this right? In clause 3 of the Freedom Charter it says the people shall inherit the country's wealth . . . that meant nationalising all the major industries. But the talks are on now as to how this can be done, if it is done at all, done in such a way that it doesn't harm the country . . . that is why ANC talks about a mixed economy. ANC has made it clear there will be a lot of private enterprise. But at the same time the government must play a major role in the economy of the coun-

COAN: Haven't events in Eastern Europe shown that socialism doesn't work?

GWALA: I was in Eastern Europe when it all started. Socialism was not in dispute — they were fighting bureaucracy. Some writers have said that if we had socialism in countries like Great Britain, France, West Germany, or the United States it would be very democratic. Remember socialism started in an autocratic country under the Tsar and democratic norms were not there in the first place. An apple doesn't fall far away from the tree. So bureaucracy was part of the Tsarist regime and there was a tendency to inherit that.