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by John Gultig s  
THE KwaZulu Government is â\200\234very interestedâ\200\235  
in using the Natal College of  
known as TC, for the training of

The Chief Minister of Kwa-  
Zulu; Chief Mangosuthu Buthe-  
lezi, told The Natal Witness yes-  
terday that Ke agreed in  
principle with the idea of Kwa-  
Zulu education using the NCE  
facilities but an approach to the  
Minister of Education and Cul-  
ture (White Affairs), Mr Piet  
Clase, would only be made once  
the KwaZulu Cabinet had met  
and decided on what action to  
take.

An official close to the Chief  
Minister said that the issue had 7  
been discussed with Mr Oscar  
â\200\230Dhlomo, the Minister of Educa-  
tion in KwaZulu, and â\200\234they were  
both definitely very interestedâ\200\235,

The Chief Minister blamed  
the closure of the NCE on apart-  
heid education in South Africa.

â\200\234As long as we have a frag-  
mented system of education in  
this country, and not a single  
Ministry, we will have the anom-  
alous situation where some de-  
partments will appear to have  
surplus- facilities while others  
have shortages,â\200\235 he said.

Mr Buthelezi was reacting to  
the Government decision to  
phase out NCE as a pre-service  
training institution from the be-  
ginning of 1987 and the indica-  
tion last week from acting direc-

| tor of Natal Education, Mr Piet

\_the Government decision on

Education, also

its teachers.

Mans, that the college could be saved for full-time teacher training if another education department was prepared to use it for the training of its teachers.

The decision as to whether a TC would be run by KwaZulu would be non-racial had not yet been taken, the Chief Minister said.

But KwaZulu employs white, Indian and coloured teachers as a matter of policy, he said. We employ people on merit, not on skin colour.

Meanwhile a spokesman for the Save TC campaign said that public support for retaining the college was continuing to grow.

More than 4 500 people have now signed the petition calling for a non-racial TC in just three days. Shopowners phoned daily requesting new forms as the old ones have been filled, said the spokesman, :

In another effort to reverse

NCE, the chairman of the college council, Mr Jack Niven, and former director of education in Natal, Mr Gerald Hoskings, met the Minister of (white) Education in Pretoria on Monday. Neither could be contacted for comment yesterday, .

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â\200\230Mandela and violence

Sir â\200\224 Your interview with the Chief Minister of KwaZulu, Maposuthu Buthelez! (FM November 14), was interesting. { have always considered Chief Buthelezi to be a rational and sensible person, yet his views on Nelson Mandela give rise to pessimism. He states that Mandela's release is a non-negotiable prerequisite to him talking to State President P W Botha, and he acknowledges that Mr Botha has agreed to release Mandela provided he forswears violence, but that this condition is â\200\234impossible. â\200\235

Chief Buthelezi is a national leader and a politician. If the position was reversed, would he not insist on the forswearing of violence as a non-negotiable condition? I think Mr Botha's attitude is not only eminently reasonable, but the only one he could adopt, knowing that a free Mandela would be a rallying-point for the African National Congress and would unleash civil war. To release him without a commitment to non-violence would be foolish and irresponsible.

As Chief Buthelezi knows all too well, the game of the political game is power, power to the elite. Whether the man in the street, whatever his colour, would be better off if the black elite is a moot point. I prefer a white elite, whatever its shortcomings, and I suspect, would most intelligent blacks. A T M Mehrliss, Irene. '

' 50 American firms are now actively considering withdrawing from South Africa, of which between 25 and 30 are already poised to withdraw, according to the latest informed estimates within the American Chamber of Commerce (AmCham) in Johannesburg, and from Pretoria..

And the chairman of the Grocery

Manufacturers Association (GMA),

Mr Rod Brittan, has warned. that a string of disinvestment decisions by the controlling shareholders overseas could follow cases of buy-outs by SA managements already underway. AmCham says the withdrawals will not necessarily mean a sizeable net outflow of capital from South Africa, or much change in the management and operations of the companies. AmCham president Mr Frank Lubke says it will not mean as large a reduction in AmCham's membership as might have been expected, as the chamber is still signing up new members. Current membership is about 300, and has shrunk by only one since withdrawals gather momentum.

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The capital outflow from the repatriation to the U.S. of the proceeds of disinvestment are being significantly offset by money coming into the country to help buy-outs by SA managements, or for similar arrangements. Also, management is remaining largely the same in the case of many withdrawals of direct U.S. ownership of the companies concerned, says Mr

- Lubke.

Thus, apart from the obvious psycho-

; logical shock of the withdrawals, the

net effect on the SA business sector

and economy is being substantially cushioned.

He adds that a firm's information on the U.S. companies' plans is available only on most of those on the point of a decision to withdraw, which have indicated as much to AmCham.

The plans of the other companies are still largely under wraps, although known to be proceeding, in many cases

urgently.

Mr Lubke notes that following the

| promulgation of the American Anti-Apartheid Act in October, high-profile,

SA-linked consumer goods organisations and others dependent on State and municipal contracts have received special attention by disinvestment pressure groups in the U.S. -

a We believe that most of the mor:

| than 300 U.S. companies still operating in South Africa will remain but 25 to 35 consumer companies or operations dependent on State or municipal contracts will very likely not be able to invest which they are experiencing in the U.S. Yes He points out that while the Anti-Apartheid Act prohibits various types

of a discriminatory action against companies

1 such actions will take legal action.

5 If for example, he is quoted as saying, a who is going to take the City of San Francisco to court when this would be

seen by many in America to be pro-apartheid?

He says the tragedy of the disinvestment situation is that U.S. industry support groups and corporate head offices are doing a lousy job in getting across to U.S. legislators and the public the achievements of U.S. corporations in SA.

- Two years ago AmCham and the Sullivan Signatories Association here took policy decisions not to get involved in anti-disinvestment campaigning in the U.S. but to leave this to organisations like the Sullivan Industry Support Group and our members.

. As far as we can tell they have done little to inform anyone in the U.S. about: