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week seemed set to become a major po-  
litical force in the country as .apphca-  
tions for membership came in from  
United Democratic Front supporters  
and the giant Inkatha movement moved  
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According to Dr Alex Boraine,.  
dozens of United Democratic \_Front  
members have applied to join the  
Progressive Federal Party within days  
of the party launching its campaign to  
recruit all races.

Dr Boraine who is chairman of the  
national committee directing the PEPâ\200\231s !  
recruiting campaign, said applications  
had been received from UDF affiliates  
in the Western Cape and Natal. :

This follows the repeal of the Prohib-  
ition of Political Interference Act by  
Parliament this week and the s@multa-  
neous launch by the PFP of a vigorous  
campaign to recruit all races. ;

Dr Boraine disclosed that the first  
UDF applications for membership were  
from affiliates which wanted to join as  
a group. But as the PFP \_accepted onl'y

applications from individuals at this stage, dozens of UDF supporters had filled in application forms to join the PFP, he said. el

However a spokesman for the UDF in the Western Cape scoffed at Dr Boraine's claim. 'I find it difficult to believe,' she said, discounting any possibility of widespread defections to the

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1: 'The PFP and the UDF could be heading for a collision course as the PFP becomes actively involved in coloured, Indian and black politics.

A UDF spokesman has warned the PFP that if it stands for election in the coloured or Indian Houses of Parliament or black councils, the UDF would mete out the same treatment to the PFP as it gave the Labour Party and Indian parties in last year's stormy elections.

'cemented its already cordial relationship - new constitutional models could begin.

\* being prepared to negotiate outside the

\_By DAVID BREIER, Political Correspondent

The PFP leader, Dr Frederik van Zyl Slabbert, reacted this week to possible antagonism from the UDF to his party's new campaign, by saying: 'We cannot expect everybody will like the PFP.

'We appreciate there will be possible

conflict with other groups who do not share our ideals. We are not spending time finding out how many people do not like what we are doing. We are rather looking how many like it.' :  
The PFP's federal congress in August

Analysing this week's trends, Inka-

tha's general secretary, Dr Oscar Dhlo-mo, said a stalemate with the Government had been reached.

'We cannot really agree on anything yet, but we have left the door open.'

Mr Botha's visit had been deferred to 'give him time to think this over and come up with something,' he said.

. At the same time he predicted there would be greater sharing of political 'strategies with the PFP.

will make the final decision on whether the PFP is to contest black, coloured and Indian elections when they occur.

- Meanwhile, Inkatha, which boasts a paid-up membership of one million, has

ships with the PFP.

In a major snub to President PW Botha and the Government, the KwaZulu Legislative Assembly this week resolved to ask Mr Botha to defer his visit to KwaZulu due to be made later this year, until there were better prospects for reaching a consensus on a shared future for all South Africans.

This came within days of a meeting between Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, Chief Minister of KwaZulu and head of Inkatha, with Dr van Zyl Slabbert.

The two leaders agreed there must be a Government declaration of intent on power-sharing before negotiations on

Both parties believe in the need for a national convention to negotiate a new system based on a single constitution, one citizenship for all, and one franchise for all.

By contrast, Chief Buthelezi said this week that Mr Botha showed no signs of

â\200\234four corners of apartheidâ\200\235 or of discussing the Buthelezi Commissionâ\200\231s plans for Natal/KwaZulu. In fact, the Government had advanced no further since Mr Owen Horwood, the former National Party leader in Natal, rejected the plan

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Mr Leon Louw, director of the Free Market Association, guest speaker at the Natal branch of the Institute of Town and Regional Plannersâ\200\231 annual conference â\200\234at Shongweni on Wednesday night, said he discounted the common problems facing KwaZulu such as lack of capital, infrastructure, education and training as these were not problems in â\200\230a sense but constraints on development.

facing KwaZulu .under-development, unemployment, dependence on agriculture as a means of providing a living, the fragmentation of the country and political problems in South Africa,â\200\235 he said.

The only solutions to these problems would be to scrap influx control, as well as the many other constraints on job seeking such as obstacles to self-employment like licence laws and labour market regulations with its apprenticeships and minimum wage laws.

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THE real challenge for town and regional  
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200\234Those left to work the  
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farms,200\235 he said.

In closing, Mr Louw  
said that his whole  
strategy could not be im-  
plemented overnight:  
200\234Not because it should  
not, but because of so-  
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â\200\224 which means vested interest will obstruct the recent reforms.

â\200\234Accordingly, the real challenge for planners and policy makers is not debate.

â\200\234Capital infrastructure and education therefore do not become problems but opportunities which would be forthcoming as a result of these recommended changes,â\200\235 he said.

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