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DA call to reopen Oilgate probe

â\200\230BEKEZELA PHAKATHI

THE Democratic Alliance (DA) yesterday said it would ask the public protector to â\200\234immediatelyâ\200\235 reopen the investigation into the Oilgate scandal, which has dragged on for nearly a decade.

The DA said the probe into allegations that SAâ\200\231s state oil company, PetroSA, irregularly paid R15m to Imvume Management, closely linked to the African National Congress (ANC), had dragged on to protect senior ANC members.

Imvume Management - had

allegedly funded the ANCâ\200\231s cam-

paign for the 2004 elections. Last year, high court judge Ntsikelelo Poswa ruled that Public Protector Thuli Madonsela should reinvestigate the matter. This was after former public protector Lawrence Mushwana in 2005 refused to investigate the

allegations, saying the matter fell outside his mandate.

In his widely condemned report, Mr Mushwana found no wrongdoing by PetroSA. He said he had mnot investigated Imvumeâ\200\231s â\200\234donationâ\200\235 to the ANC, because Imvume and the ANC were private entities and the money, once in Imvumeâ\200\231s hands, could not be described as belonging to the public.

DA parliamentary leader Athol Trollip and the deputy chairwoman of the DAâ\200\231s federal council, Natasha Michael, will make a formal submission to the public protector today, requesting that her office heed the ruling by Judge Poswa setting aside Mr Mushwanaâ\200\231s 2005 report.

In a statement yesterday, the DA said the investigation was long overdue.

â\200\234Eleven months into Ms Madonselaâ\200\231s term as public

protector, we have seen no at- _

tempt to adhere to Judge Poswa's ruling. We will request that the matter is immediately placed on the public protector's agenda.

Earlier this month, Mr Trollip said President Jacob Zuma's reasons for not releasing the report were 'spurious'.

. Mr Zuma said in reply to a parliamentary question he would not extend the life span of the Donen commission, which probed the role of South African companies in the Oilgate scandal, nor would he release its findings.

The alleged involvement of

top ANC officials .. means the truth about yet another instance of power abuse and gross misconduct by the ANC government will, in all likelihood, be hidden indefinitely from public scrutiny,' Mr Trollip said. With Sapa

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ANC â\200\230truceâ\200\231 on leader tussle
as landmark indaba starts

Party takes stock at crucial midterm session that could make or break Zuma

SAM MKOKELI

and SIBONGAKONKE SHOBA

DURBAN â\200\224 The African National
Congressâ\200\231s (ANC'â\200\231s) long-awaited
national general council begins
today, with party leaders hopeful
of heading off a divisive leadership
contest and observers watching
for signs of a policy shift on key
economic and political issues.

The outcome may help define
the rest of President Jacob Zumaâ\200\231s

residency and whether he will be
acked for a second term in 2012.
It will also point to how the ANC

intends to proceed on key issues.

Delegates will be mindful that it was at a similar midterm conference in 2005 that Thabo Mbeki lost his grip on the party, -and where Mr Zuma's backers effectively launched his campaign for the presidency of the ANC.

Secretary-general Gwede Mantashe and senior leaders were locked in talks yesterday about managing the week's discussions to avoid a premature leadership contest. It appeared yesterday a truce had been reached on direct leadership talks, allowing the 2000 branch delegates to concentrate instead on organisational matters and policy.

The conference will ostensibly review policy decisions made at the December 2007 conference where Mr Zuma was elected as

- party head, and discuss economic policy direction and the nature of the bureaucracy.-

The gathering also takes place as Mr Zuma appears to be losing his grip on the party, halfway into his term as party president.

He has been criticised by key backers in the tripartite alliance and the ANC Youth League in the build-up to the conference. Although these bodies were central to his political rise, they have in recent months voiced frustration at the pace of service delivery and the absence of a bold departure on economic policy.

Calls for state intervention in the economy, including nationalisation of mines, are at the centre of the political scrap linked to the race for leadership positions to be decided only in two years' time.

- Observers will be watching for clarity on a wide range of issues, including proposed controls on the media that critics say will curb freedom of speech as well as the approach to the mining industry, given calls by the youth league for nationalisation. So far various factions within the ANC and the alliance have fallen in behind opposing policy approaches.

At a gala dinner in Durban last night, Mr Zuma said: 'We are

looking forward to a very exciting, robust and successful week as branches of the ANC engage with

Jacob Zuma

the issues that have been placed on the agenda for discussion.â\200\235

The â\200\234state of the ANCâ\200\235 will dominate the political report to be tabled by Mr Mantashe, likely in a session closed to the media.

In previous conferences, this report was tabled in an open session. If the report is tabled and discussed behind closed doors the public will be denied a chance to understand the ruling partyâ\200\231s dilemma. Mr Mantashe declined to comment yesterday.

Political analyst Aubrey Matshigi said this was a sign party officials were nervous and wanted to avoid a public spectacle.

He said the ANC and its allies in the Congress of South African Trade: Unions (Cosatu) and the South African Communist Party

(SACP) were unlikely to â\200\234find each otherâ\200\235. They could also clash on Cosatuâ\200\231s call for inflation targeting to be replaced by employment targeting as a macroeconomic tool.

â\200\234The left will come out of this conference disappointed.â\200\235

Although this is a difficult time for Mr Zuma, he is likely to enjoy â\200\234home-groundâ\200\235 advantage and get protection from party officials, Mr Matshigi said. =

The conference kicks off with a speech by Mr Zuma today, where he is expected to attempt to deal with party discipline â\200\224 an issue he has raised in recent weeks, as his detractors stepped up their challenge to his allegedly weak state and party leadership. _

If Mr Zuma fails to stamp his authority on policy and leadership matters, he will be condemned to a lame-duck presidency, and a challenger will rise in the run-up to elections for party positions to be held in Bloemfontein in 2012.

It is unclear whether there are strong candidates to challenge for the presidency of the ANC in two yearsâ\200\231 time, but the struggle for

other positions is under way. In the

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ANC â\200\230truceâ\200\231 on leadership tussle

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background, there is a contest for the post of secretary-general, with incumbent Mr Mantashe likely to face off against Deputy Police Minister Fikile Mbalula, who enjoys the youth leagueâ\200\231s support.

The position of deputy president of the ANC, occupied by Kgalema Motlanthe, is also likely to be challenged, possibly by SACP general secretary Blade Nzimande.

Mr Motlanthe, believed to be a reluctant leader, might also have to raise his hand for the presidency, should Mr Zuma appear to be too compromised or too weak a leader.

Political analyst Prof Steven

Friedman said Mr Zumaâ\200\231s position and that of Mr Mantashe are unlikely to come under threat. â\200\234I donâ\200\231t think (any attack on leaders) will be direct. There have been attempts to discourage discussion on succession.â\200\235

Speculation is rife that the youth league could propose a vote-of no confidence in Mr Mantashe, but league leader Julius Malema has already rejected this.

Prof Friedman said he does not think the council will decide on policy issues like nationalisation, and he does not expect policy changes.

He said he expects the party to focus organisational and leadership renewal, and discipline.

â\200\234I donâ\200\231t think itâ\200\231s about policy issues. But itâ\200\231s about what type of leadership the ANC wants in the | future,â\200\235 he said. :

However, Mcebisi Ndletyana, Â° senior political researcher with the Human Sciences Research Council, said Mr Zumaâ\200\231s leadership was likely to come under scrutiny.

â\200\234A lot of people have expressed disappointment with his leadership. There is talk of how leaders should lead by example so I expect the (council) to discuss whether he has lived up to expectations.â\200\235

The council might be used as a

platform to lobby support for 2012.
â\200\234The campaign by some in the ANC
to remove Zuma may be consoli-
dated.â\200\235

INDABA: Futures could be put on the line at NGC

CITIZEN REPORTER AND
SAPA

PRESIDENT Jacob Zuma
and ANC Youth League
leader Julius Malema
square up at the ANC's
national general council,
starting in Durban today,
which could deliver a fatal
blow to either of their political
futures.

Zuma and Malema, who
once enjoyed a strong political
friendship, look set to
go head to head at the
party's most important
meeting since Polokwane in
2007.

Malema has been critical
of Zuma in recent weeks
and, although he tried to
downplay his recent comments-
over the weekend by
claiming he still supported
Zuma, he could be at the
receiving end of senior
ANC officials said to be fed
up with his attacks.

Although reports yesterday
suggested Zuma would
be saved from any attempts
to undermine his leadership,
the ANC president is
under severe pressure to,
speed up services to the
poor and deliver on resolutions
taken in Polokwane.

The ANC and its alliance
partners, the Congress of
SA Trade Unions (Cosatu)
and the SA Communist
Party (SACP), have asked
those attending the national
general council (NGC) to
focus on policy issues. and

ahead of 2012.

Analysts say ambitious ANC members, such as

ANC Youth League leader Julius Malema, could
4 use the NGC as a lobbying ground to 'garner
{ support and test the popularity of certain policies

not leadership squabbles.

Some of the most important issues to be discussed during the five-day NGC this week are:

1. The proposed media appeals tribunal, which the ANC believes is unnecessary to combat "unfair" reporting

2. Nationalisation an issue hot on the agenda as Malema has been pushing for the nationalisation of mines .

Land distribution - another issue which ANC provinces will push for a resolution to speed up

3. The future of provinces, with the Eastern Cape ANC wanting the nine province set-up to be dissolved.

According to the Sunday Times, the party's provincial chairmen have stepped in to save Zuma from a humiliating challenge to his leadership.

The move reportedly came after Cosatu general secretary Zwelinzima Vavi blasted ANC leadership for having "no backbone" in dealing with Malema.

"All we want them to do

. is to have a backbone and

implement the Polokwane resolutions.

"When are we going to do away with labour brokers? Why are you afraid of young kids like this?

"All we want is for our leadership to be strong and make decisions. This para-

ysis which is caused by

young kids must come to an end," Vavi said in East London on Saturday.

Political analyst Thabo

Rapoo, of the Centre for Policy Studies, said the NGC could be a â\200\234windowâ\200\235 into what would transpire at the ANCâ\200\231s elective congress in 2012.

â\200\234We have seen President Zumaâ\200\231s support waning in the past months,â\200\235 Rapoo said. :

â\200\234This NGC could very well give a window into what is to come in 2012.â\200\235

During a strike by 1,3 million Cosatu-affiliated public service workers last month, Zuma was at the receiving end of a string of insults about his polygamous lifestyle.

He has also been at the receiving end of attacks by

Malema, who only last .

week urged his members not to follow the example of leaders who took more than one wife.

Malemaâ\200\231s comments followed his suggestion that Zumaâ\200\231s family was amassing wealth, while the poor majority continued to live in poverty.

According to the Sunday Independent, Malemaâ\200\231s comments angered senior ANC members, with the partyâ\200\231s top structures desperate to throw him out.

Rapoo said ambitious ANC members, such as Malema, would use the NGC as a lobbying ground to garner support and test the popularity of certain policies ahead of 2012.

â\200\234â\200\234It will be a testing ground, an opportunity midway from the 2007 conference in Polokwane,

for the partyâ\200\231s ambitious - -

future leaders to test their support among the ANCâ\200\231s key constituencies and to start the partyâ\200\231s next leadership contest,â\200\235 he said.

This week Cosatu is tipped to push for a range of left-leaning economic policies; including creating a state-owned bank to cater for the poor; nationalising vital sectors such as mining; metals and petrochemicals; a more progressive tax system; and abolishing

-inflation targeting.

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IFP chairwoman Zanele kaMagwaza-Msibi arrives to address a heritage rally organise
Durban yesterday. She denied the party was in its death throes. PICTURE: ENOS MHLONGO

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-ITFP NATIONAL chairwoman
Zanele kaMagwaza-Msibi says

â\200\234the party is far from dead, and
those who think it is â\200\234can go
and sleepâ\200\235.

KaMagwaza-Msibi was. re-
sponding to comments made by
ANC Youth League president
Julius Malema in Port Shep-
stone on Saturday.

Addressing a crowd of sup-
porters ahead of the ANCâ\200\231s
week-long national general
council, which opens in Dur-
ban today, Malema said: â\200\234We
are happy that this province is
now peaceful because the IFP is

~dead.â\200\235

Speaking at a heritage event
at Durbanâ\200\231s Currieâ\200\231s Fountain
sports ground yesterday, ka-
Magwaza-Msibi said: â\200\234TI did not
come here as a political leader.
However, I want your vote in
the IFP. Those who think the
IFP is dead can go and sleep.
While we are here, the IFP will
go nowhere.â\200\235

KaMagwaza-Msibi was
praised by the traditional lead-
ers who organised the event as
a respectful, confident leader
who heeded the call of the peo-
ple to address the event while
others had not.

One chief, IFP councillor
Mgezeni Gwala, said: â\200\234We
chose the chairwoman because

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we saw her as a person who was
fit to address the people. She
has respect, is confident and ac-

knowledges everyone. We have called other leaders before, but they have not heeded our call. They are more interested in money than the people.â\200\235 Others shouted: â\200\234That is why we will follow you and die where you die,â\200\235 in a show of support for the chairwoman, who is currently at odds with the IFP leadership over perceptions that she was challenging for the partyâ\200\231s presidency. KaMagwaza-Msibi encouraged the crowd to adhere to and preserve culture and traditions. â\200\234We need to use some of

- [FP, warns chairwoman

our traditions to fight unemployment and poverty. The youth also need to be encouraged to exercise chastity and celebrate purity.â\200\235 T

She said the government should do more to ensure traditions were preserved, saying it should work closely with traditional leaders because they were the custodians of tradition.

- â\200\234I think a lot needs to be done by the government to preserve culture and customs. They need to strengthen ties with the traditional leaders because they are the custodians of culture and need to lead the way,â\200\235 said kaMagwaza-Msibi.

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Citizen Alert

THE governing ANC holds its national general council in Durban from today until Friday.

Many people who are not ANC members may well adopt a why-should-they-care attitude. However, given that it is the mid-term review of the party's policies which may ultimately inform the direction our government takes there is clearly every reason to take more than just a passing interest in what happens this week.

As we noted when we launched our Say No campaign against the Protection of Information Bill, as well as the

ANC's mooted media appeals tribunal, we have reached a crossroads in our constitutional democracy.

And while some alliance partners can rail against the predator state, the looting and corruption that continues to bedevil the pulling party, all citizens need to take an active stand in defence of our constitutional democracy.

For it is the same alliance partners who turned a blind eye to the shocking conduct of public servants who allowed the right to strike to trump the right to life and the right to education of the poorest of the poor in this country.

Far too many South Africans have for too long given politicians and their allies carte blanche to take decisions on their behalf, and watched as they betrayed what many compatriots struggled and died for.

As former labour and foreign affairs director-general Siphosiso Pityana warned at the weekend: a complacent citizenry, that has delegated authority to those in power and is now assuming the role of bystander, is the biggest threat to our constitution and a life of dignity and freedom.

The launch at Liliesleaf Farm last week of the Council for the Advancement of the South African Constitution is therefore an initiative that should be embraced by all freedom-loving South Africans.

In KwaZulu-Natal, we need ordinary men and women of integrity, from all walks of life, to throw their weight behind the initiative and to begin playing their role.

It is only, when we all take responsibility for where we are today, that we can work together to salvage our future.

Perhaps then ANC delegates at gatherings such as the.

national general council will understand that they alone do not have all the answers.

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IFP national - chairperson
Zanele Magwaza-Msibi
yesterday has urged the
government to ensure cul-
tural activities were not only
held in September. â\200\224 but
were instead included in all
annual events.

This would play a mean-
ingful role in shaping the
lives of the people, especially
the youth Magwaza- M31b1
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She was addressxng people
at Curries Fountain Stadium
in Durban at a cultural cel-
ebration organised by tradi-
tional leaders.

_Those who attended the
event were mainly from the
hostels around Durban.

â\200\234As Zulu nation we have

Tich traditions which, if cor-

rectly practised,-can help us
fight the social ills faced by
the people,â\200\235 she said. =
Magwaza-Msibi -said chal-
lenges like unemployment
and Aids could only be dealt
with if culture were made the
cornerstone of society.

[FP boss backs traditions

â\200\234Our traditions teach us,
among other things, respect

.. and purity - and if those two

alone are encouraged we will
have a nation that will live

â\200\234longer.â\200\235

Though September is the
official month to celebrate
culture, Magwaza-Msibi said

this should not be the case.

â\200\234It shouldnâ\200\231t be a once-off thing. I think a lot still needs to be done to ensure we preserve our customs. The government should do more.â\200\235

Asked why she thought the

organisers invited her, she said it was because of her deep-rooted relationship with traditional leaders.

â\200\234I worked closely with traditional leaders while I was a mayor in Zululand, â\200\234She said.

One of the organisers, Thokizisa Phica, chairperson of izinduna in eThekweni, said they wanted to make the celebration an annual event to which they invite leaders to address residents before the King Shakaâ\200\231s Day celebration held annually at KwaDukuza.

WITH THE PEOPLE: IFP's Zanele Magwaza-Msibi shares a laulu celebration held yesterday at Curries Fountain, Durban.

gh with Inkosn Zenzo Zungu at the Heritage Month
PHOTO: THULI DLAMINI

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Canaan Mdletshe

PRESIDENT Jacob Zuma has promised he will soon return to Ulundi to engage with residents and change their lives. .

It was the first ANC meetmg in Ulundi and the hall was packed to capacity. Zuma was concluding the Imvuselelo Campaign before a watershed National General Counsel starting today in Durban.

He said-as a member of the ANC it was his job to make sure that when he visited a place he responded promptly to the needs of the people.

", Ulundi is an IFP stronghold and i-\\201?he home town of party leader Man-

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gosuthu Buthelezi.

During Zumaâ\\200\\231s v131t'.â\\200\\230a handi-\\20111 of :

IFP supporters were -sÃ©en driving around in cars, carrying-party flags and singing pro-IFâ\\200\\230P songs.

The police, who blanketed the small town, made sure the visit went smoothly.

Earlier, Zuma had visited eMondlo in Vryheid, also an IFP strong hold.

â\\200\\234This is my first visit but certainly not my last. I will return here. This is a promise I want to make,â\\200\\235 he said.

Zuma praised the ANC and IFP for -

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.freely join a poIrt-'f ical party of their choice without fear

or intimidation,â\\200\\235 said Zuma.

ING PROMISES: President Jacob Zuma, led by KwaZqu Natal

Premier Zweli Mkhize, greets the commuhity on their arrival during the Imvuselelo campaign in the Inkosi Bhambatha region held at

* Sithembile near Dundee yesterday.

PHOTO: SIYABONGA MOSUNKUTU

ANC members from around the country will gather in Durban for a five-day policy

review meeting today with

President Jacob Zuma under pressure to speed up

services to the poor and -

knives sharpening for ANC Youth League president Julius Malema.

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SHOWDOWN: ANC delegates queue to register outside the Durban City Hall late yesterday afternoon Media

accreditation was delayed by several hours:

" During a strike by 1,3 million Cosatu-affiliated public

service workers in August, Zuma received a string of insults about his three wives,

his new fiancée and a 2003 son-in-law, :

illegitimate child he fathered earlier this year.

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- wane, for the party's ambitious future leaders to test

their support among the

ANC's key constituencies

and to start the party's next leadership contest.

For business, the key topic at the NGC will be the call by Cosatu and the ANC to nationalise mines. Cosatu has said the government has been too soft on the mining sector, which has failed to reach transformation targets set out in a 2004 charter. The charter requires companies

to sell 15 percent of their

South African assets to black investors by the end of 2009,

- and 26 percent by 2014, but so far only 8,9 percent of mining assets are black-owned: .

Cosatu has said it will push for a range of other left-leaning economic policies, including creating a state-owned

bank to cater for the poor, . nationalise vital sectors - such as mining, a more pro-

gressive tax system, and abolishing inflation targeting. Economists have warned

that the state does not have

the capacity to run a new

entity - to oversee nationalised

sectors, and that dropping inflation targeting will

push inflation higher.

The mining sector pays
R32billion in direct taxes
and a large portion of indi-
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17,3 percent of total company
tax. The industry contributes
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SOUTH Africa is in crisis. Teachers organised under the banner of the SA Democratic Teachers' Union have been out in the streets for weeks demanding higher pay. Now they are likely to go on strike again demanding they be paid for the weeks they weren't at their desks.

Meanwhile, pupils who should be working day and night to make up the loss of teaching time are marching in the streets under the leadership of the Congress of SA Students. They are likely to give us extremely poor pass rates again â meaning that South Africa will languish at the bottom of maths, science and literacy tables for even longer.

Do not expect these issues to dominate the national general council of the ANC this week. Instead, the ANC will likely deliberate on issues that concern the pockets and continued incumbency of its current leaders.

Decisions at this week's meeting will define where the party's future lies. Will the ANC choose the light, or the dark?

It is now clear that ANC mem-

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Further down the ANC's spiral

Policy summit will be preoccupied with wrong issues

bers are adamant that a media tribunal to try to bring our robust print media â into line â must happen. Taken with the frightening Protection of Information Bill currently before Parliament, the media tribunal stands to take its place as the first signal of the beginning of the end of our democracy.

Why does the ANC want a media tribunal? It has nothing to do with a better democracy or protecting the poor, as alleged by President Jacob Zuma. It is because Zuma has been exposed as a hypocrite by the print media, hence his words in Parliament two weeks ago: â The manner in which the media has been reporting over the years â it seemed to be overstepping the boundaries that should guide it in terms of the freedom of the media.

There seems to be no distinction
between the respect for the dignity

of other people and the manner in

which it was reporting.â\200\235
In essence, Zuma does not want it
to be known or reported that his

financial adviser has spent time in
jail for bribing him; that he has
impregnated the daughter of his
friend; and that his children are
now beneficiaries of dodgy black
economic empowerment deals. All
these hypocrisies have been con-
demned by Zumaâ\200\231s allies, Julius
Malema and Zwelinzima Vavi.

But in the partyâ\200\231s rush to defend

There are many in the
ANC who reflect
Malemaâ\200\231s crude views

an individual, it is prepared to
trample on the institutions that
have been a- central part of its
defeat of apartheid. The ANC will
regret this backward move. . -
The media tribunal issue has al-
ready caused consternation among
ANC allies across the world. Those
who are made happy by these
moves are the scoundrels among
Zumaâ\200\231s friends, such as Zimbab-
weâ\200\231s President Robert Mugabe.

The second issue at the centre of
the agenda at this national general
council is the nationalisation of
mines as advocated by Malema and
his supporters in the ANC Youth
League. It seems clear now that
some form of pressure for the
acceleration of transfer of econom-
ic power from white hands to black
hands will be issued by the meet-
mg. .
But will nationalisation of the
mines as envisaged by the youth
league fly? Many of the ANC
provinces seem to want to fall
somewhere in the middle: not out-
right nationalisation, but careful
consideration of the way the econ-
omy is not creating jobs and is not
growing quickly enough.

These are the sober heads. There

are, however, many in the ANC who

reflect Malemaâ\200\231s crude views, as he
explained in Zimbabwe earlier this
year: â\200\234In South Africa we are just
starting. Here in Zimbabwe you are
already very far. The land question

has been addressed. We are very happy that today you can account for more than 300 000 new farmers against the 4 000 who used to dominate agriculture. We hear you are now going straight to the mines. Thatâ\200\231s what we are going to be doing in South Africa.â\200\235

That statement, and some of his other loony utterances, are what will lead to capital flight from South Africa.

There are other issues that should dominate the debate at the NGC, but probably will not get the attention they deserve. For example, the corruption and greed displayed by many ANC leaders should be at the heart of any discussion on the future of our country. But this cancer, which Cosatu has rightly said is turning us into a â\200\234predator stateâ\200\235, will be largely ignored.

Meanwhile, we continue to be walloped in competitiveness rankings, our education system is in tatters and our children and teachers show no will to learn or teach. But forget all that.)

LÃ©tâ\200\231s shut down the media.

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THE WITNESS, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2010

â\200\230Investing
in ANG
is smartâ\200\231

NGC: Stand up to Malema,
Vavi tells party bosses

THERE is nothing wrong with busi-
nesses investing in a political party,
ANC president Jacob Zuma said at
the partyâ\200\231s national general coun-
cil (NGC) gala dinner in Durban
yesterday evening.

â\200\234Funding for political parties is
somehow viewed with suspicion by
some commentators in this coun-
try and there should be no reason
for that,â\200\235 he said.

â\200\234However, wise business sense
tells you that investing in the ANC,
which is supported by more than
65% of the population, is good val-
ue for your money.â\200\235

He thanked companies repre-
sented at the dinner for their â\200\234good
business senseâ\200\235.

Businesses play an important
role in building infrastructure and
contributing to the nationâ\200\231s stabili-
ty and democracy, he said.

â\200\234There is therefore nothing
wrong with the business sector in-
vesting in any party.

â\200\234Political parties such as the
ANC are pivotal to the promotion
of that stability and democracy in
thisâ\200\231country.â\200\235

He told delegates the NGC is an
important gathering to ensure the
ruling party remains united ahead
of its 2012 centenary.

â\200\234We have to ensure the ANC is
strong, united and focused on
achieving its mission of uniting the
people of this country and to create
a better life for all in a non-racial,
non-sexist and democratic socie-
ty.â\200\235

The Sunday Times reported that
the ANCâ\200\231s provincial chairperson
had to step in to save Zuma from
a challenge to his leadership at the
NGC.

The move reportedly came after
Cosatuâ\200\231s general secretary, Zwel-
inzima Vavi, criticised the ANC

leadership for having â\200\234no back-boneâ\200\235 in dealing with its youth league leader, Julius Malema.

Vavi told a rally in East London

- rally on Saturday, â\200\234All we want is

President
Jacob Zuma

WISE BUSINESS SENSE
TELLS YOU THAT
INVESTING IN THE ANC
... IS GOOD VALUE FOR
YOUR MONEY. -

for our leadership to be strong and make decisions. This paralysis which is caused by young kids must come to an end.â\200\235

The ANC and its alliance partners, the Congress of SA Trade Unions and the SA Communist Party, have asked delegates to the NGC to focus on policy issues and not leadership squabbles.

Zuma urged delegates at the dinner to ensure that ANC policies and programmes are relevant to the needs of the country.

A key area where the ruling party lags behind is universal access to primary education, he said.

Thousands of ANC members began to gather in Durban yesterday ahead of the five-day policy review meeting starting today.

â\200\234We are looking forward to a very exciting, robust and successful week as branches of the ANC engage with the issues that have been placed on the agenda for discussion,â\200\235 said Zuma.

Cosatu wants Zuma to speed up implementing the policies adopted at the ANCâ\200\231s 2007 Polokwane conference.

Vavi said the trade union federation will push for a state-owned bank to cater for the poor, nationalising vital sectors such as mining, metals and petrochemicals, a more progressive tax system, and the abolition of inflation targeting, among other changes in economic policy. â\200\224 Sapa.

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ISOLEZWE, UMSOMBULUKO, SEPTHEMBA 20, 2010

Bekezela futhi
ungaphumi eNkatheni

MHLELI: Ngithi angidlulise nanku
umyalezo wami kumama

uKaMagwaza-Msibi wokuthi angasuki

eNkatheni. Njengoba ngisho lokhu nje
angisilo nelungu leNkatha kodwa
ngizama ukukhombisa leli gembu
okwenzeka kuMengameli uJacob
Zuma.

Umama uKaMagwaza akabekezele
njengoZuma okwathi uma
izivunguvungu sezimhlasele kodwa

wangasuka endaweni yakhe, wahlala *

emile njalo.

Ngakho-ke ngithi nawe ungalilahli
igembu lakho, ulisebenzele kuze kube
sekugcineni ngoba ngempela iginiso

liyogcina livelile. IsiZulu sithi
kushaywa edonsayo.

Nawe lokhu okwenzekayo kungenxa
yemisebenzi yakho emihle, ngangize
ngifise ukuthi ube yimeya yalapha
ngakithi ngendlela okhuthela ngayo
nowuthanda ngayo umsebenzi wakho.

- Ezinye izimeya azinamgsebenzi nje,
umuntu unede angene esikhundleni
kuba sekuphelile. Kuhlomule yena
nomndeni, izihlobo nabangani bakhe
kuphela, akhohlwe ngabantu
abamvotele. Ngithi phambili
ngemisebenzi emihle.

Mzamo Makhoba
EMACAMBINI

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MHLENGI SHANGASE

AMUHLA wonke amehlo
azobe ethe njo
kuMengameli we-AN C,
uMnuz Jacob Zuma, uma esevula
ngokusemthethweni umhlangano

Phakathi kwezinto ezizobe
zibhekwa ezemfundo, ezempilo,
ukuthuthukisa izindawo
zasemakhaya nokwakha
amathuba omsebenzi.

Okunye okuzoggama kakhulu
kulo mhlango we-National

ozodonsa isonto lonke wokubheka General Council wumgqulu

ibanga le nhlangano eselihambile
selokhu kwakhethwa ubuholi
ePolokwane ngo-2007.
Lomhlangano uzohanjelwa
yizithunywa ezibalelwa ku-4 000
okubalwa kuzo iSACP Cosatu
nezinhlangano zabafundi iCosas,
Sasco ne-YCL. Uzobe useDurban
Exhibition Centre lapho ubuholi
be-ANC buzobe bubheka khona
indlela esihanjawe selokhy

omayelana nokulingana ngobulili
ozokwethulwa wuphiko
lwabesifazane,

Abesifazane bafuna

i+ â\200\234ukubhekelelwa ezikhundleni

eziphezulu okubalwa
esobumengameli njengoba
kukhona oN ggongqgoshe abafana
nowezasâ©Khaya, uDkt Nkosazana
Dlamini-Zuma nowezokuVikela,
uNksz Lindiwe Sisulu, abenza

Tlungu lesigungu esiphezulu
se-ANC, uMnuz Tokyo Sexwal,
uhambele ePhoenix izolo lapho
bekunomcimbi wokutshengisa
ubumbano phakathi
kwezinhlanga ezehlukene.

USexwale ugqugquzele
abaholi ukuthi babuyele

_emagatsheni bayoqinisa khona

ngoba abantu abafuni izinkulumo
kodwa bafuna ukubona izinto

â© zenzeka.

Kulo mhlango kulindeleke
ukuthi kubhekwe nodaba

lokufakwa kwezimayini
ngaphansi kukahulumeni
njengoba uphiko Iwentsha kuyilo
elifaka ingcindezi yokuthi lolu
daba lwenziwe inqubomgomo

angena esikhundleni. .umsebenzi oncomekayo. kaKhongolose. , _
ISadesmo ingobe ukhetho eMUT

MHLENGI SHANGASE

ISADESMO izidlelele amahlanga
okhethwenilomkhandlu
wabafundi ibuyisa izintambo
zokuphatha inhlangano yabafundi
eMangosuthu University of
Technology.

Le nhlapgano edlelana ne-IFp
iwine izihlalo eziyisikhombisa
zgkulawula umkhandlu waba-
fundi kanti izintambo beziphe-
thwe yiSasco edlelana ne-ANC,

UNobhala-Jikelele weSadesmo,
uMnuz Xolani Ngwezi, uthe
njengoba bese begalile ukuzidlelela
amahlanga eNyuvesi yaseFree
State babuye badla neMangosuthu
sebebuyela Ongoye lapho bezofike
basibuyise khona lesi sikhungo.

Uthe izolo bebeseNgoye lapho
bekuyokwethulwa khona
izethembiso kubafundi wathi
ukhetho oluzoba khona kusuka

nambhlanje nakusasa akangabazi
ukuthi bazoluwina.

â\200\234Sitshengisa khona ukuthi
iSadesmo ayifile nokuthi
sisazoghubeka nokudla izihlalo
ngoba abafundi basitshengisile
ukuthi bayasethemba ukuthi
sizobenzela okungcono, Njengoba
iDurban University of Technology
ivulwa nje kusasa (namhlanje)
emuva kwamaholidi nakhona
ukhetho luzobanjwa nakhona
sinethemba lokuthi sizoluwina
ngamalengiso,â\200\235 kusho ulNgwezi.

Uxwayise labo abakhale
ngaphansi okhethweni ukuthi
abangashisi izikhungo ngoba
kumele kufunde esinye
isizukulwane khona.

Ukusho lokhu kulandela
isehlakalo sokushiswa koNgoye
emuva kokuba kube nokhetho
phakathi kwalezi zinhlangano
ezibangayo lapho abafundi bavuka

umbhejazane bashisa impahla
yesikhungo okubalwa nesonto,
â\200\234Kumele abantu uma behluliwe
bamukele ukuthi bazobuye

bazame futhi ngokulandelayo
hhayi ukuthi balimaze impahla
ukuze esinye isizukulwane
singakwazi ukuthola indawo.
Sizoghubeka nokubuyisa isithunzi
sethu, izikhungo ezifana noNgoye
neMUT zibuyele kuthina njengoba
sesiqalile nje,â\200\235 kusho uNgwezi.
ISasco yaphumelela ukhetho
okokugala ngqa eMangosuthu
nyakenye emuva kobuhixihixi
obaba khona iSadesmo ikhala
ngokuthi uhlelo lokuvota
aluhambanga ngendlela.
NasoNgoye kwasuka isixaka-
xaka nakhona ngenxa yayo imi-
phumela yomkhandlu wabafundi.
Izikhungo iSasco ejwayele ukuzi-
hambela yodwa kuzona iDUT
naseNyuvesi yaKwaZulu-Natal.

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CELANI SIKHAKHANE

SIHLALO kazwelonke

we-IFP nobeyiMeya

yaseZululand uthi
abavele bakhohlwe labo
abebecabanga ukuthi leli
gembu sekuphelile ngalo.

UNKKk Zanele Magwaza-
Msibi ubekusho lokhu
emcimbini wokugubha
inyanga yamasiko
obuseCurries Fountain
eThekwini izolo.

_ Uthe yize ehambele lo
mcimbi njengelunga
lephalamende kodwa
unembeza wakhe uyomlahla
uma engasabagquguzeli
abantu ukuba basukume
bayovotela i-IFP.

â\200\234Ngize lapha njengelungu
lephalamende kodwa kuyobe
angibenzi ubulungiswa uma
ngingasaninxusi ukuba
nisukume niyovotela
iNkatha futhi ngifuna
kucace ukuthi labo
abacabanga ukuthi
sekuphelile nge-IFP abavele
bayolala ngoba isazoya
phambili kakhulu
kunakugala,â\200\235 kusho
uMagwaza-Msibi.

Ughube wathi baningi
abantu asebejabule futhi
asebezitshela ukuthi
iNkatha sekuphelile ngayo
ngenxa yezinkinga
zangaphakathi.

Muva nje kube
nokugagula okwehlukene
ngaleli gembu ngenxa

yezinkinga zobuholi
ezingaphakathi kanti
nabahlaziyi balibeka
ngembaba elokuthi
selizophenduka umlando.â\200\231

Ngakolunye uhlangothi
izimbangi zalo i-ANC
iyangenisa ezizindeneni zalo
ikakhulukazi eZululand
obekuyisizinda
sikaMagwaza-Msibi.

UMgwaza-Msibi

ubemenywe kulo mcimbi
abaholi bendabuko
ukuzogubha inyanga
yamasiko nokulungiselela
umgubho weLembe ozoba
kwaDukuza ngoMggibelo.

Abahleli bomcimbi
wayizolo bakucacisile
ukuthi bamumeme
njengelungu lephalamende
hhayi ngokwesikhunda
sakhe sepolitiki.

Ube esenxusa abaholi
bendabuko ukuba babambe
ighaza ekugqugquzeleni
abesilisa ukuba bayosokwa
ukuze kungandwe :
ukusabalala kwezifo zocansi.

Uthe phambilini
bekumkhathaza ukuthi
izinhlelo zokuzithiba
zigxilise kakhulu)
kwabesifazane ekubeni
nabesilisa beyimbangela
yokusabalala kwezifo.

Ube esenxusa amabutho
ukuba aphume
ngobuningi
ukuyokweseka
umgubho weLembe
kwaDukuza. -

ISOLEZWE, UMSOMBULUKO, SEPTEMBER 20,

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LABA ngahanye abantu ebebehambela umcimbi wamasiko obuhanje

Iwe uZanele Magwaza-Msibi eCurries Fountain
h Isithombe: ENOS MHLONGO

MHLELLI kangiqgondile ukungena ezi-
ndabeni zeqembu iNkatha Freedom
Party IFP) kodwa isiZulu sithi ka-
kukho zinyane lemvubu ladliwa yizi-
ngwenya kwacweba isiziba.

Ngokukhulu ukuzithoba ngingajabu-
la ukubona abaholi be-IFP bezehlisa,
bavume ukuthi kunamaphutha enzeki-
le, alungiswe.

Muningi umonakalao odaleke ege-
njini.

Leli gembu lingelinye lamadala
futhi kasifuni ukulibona lishabalala
kodwa ukungafuni kwabaholi balo
ukubhekana namaqiniso sekulenze

laba nesigewagewa futhi kwabaningi
eNingizimu Afrika.
Unyaka nonyaka ukwesekwa kwe-

qembu kuyehla. Okubuhlungu wukuthi -

izingqungquthela zeqembu ziyehlu-
leka wukuthola ikhambi.

Okunye okubulala iqembu wukuhle-
bana nokupotshoza izimfihlo zalo emi-
thonjeni yezindaba nokudlana izithe-
nde kwabaholi ngenhloso
yokunyundela abanye ukuthi banga-
phumeleli nemfundisoze etshalwa i
ngabathile ukuthi kukhona abafuna
ukususa umholi wegembu.

Kuyiqiniso elingephikwe ukuthi

uSHenge (iNkosi Mangosuthu Buthe-
lezi, umholi weqembu) usewenzile
umsebenzi omkhulu ongumnikelo eba-
ntwini bakuleli.

Yingakho nginombono wokuthi
uShenge makangalungeneli ukhetho
uma kukhona abaphakamisa igama
lakhe kodwa lokho kungahle kusho
ukuphuma kwakhe kwipolitiki ekube-
ni ubukhona bakhe buyohlala buyisi-
busiso futhi buyimvubelo eqenjini.

UShenge kumele enze konke okuse-
mandleni ukuvikela isithunzi sakhe
asisebenzele iminyaka eminingi.

Kumele azidedele zighuthane

amakhizane, zidlane imilala, umholi
oyophumelela athole izibusiso zakhe.

Kuyoba yihlazo uma kukhona
umholi oncintisana naye uma esazo-
ghubeka. Uma umholi esemdala
uzithathela yena isinqumo sokubeka
phansi izintambo.

Ngiphetha ngamazwi oMntwana
Gideon Zulu waKwaMinya athi: "Ama-
lunga eNkatha mawabuyisele amanzi
esizibeni." o

Abaholi mababeke abantu phambi-
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Zamekuhle Ntombela
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