

# TOP SECRET Magazine

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## Press Release

### Apartheid regime responsible for the assassination of Cde. Chris Hani

President de Klerk's minority regime tries by all means to sell the story that the killer of Cde. Chris Hanis is a right-wing extremist, who acted on his own and who had no connection to the "security" forces of the white minority regime. This is far from reality and pure disinformation. We have recently collected facts - most of them coming from our sources within the South African "security" and intelligence community - that prove the contrary:

1) About 48 hours before the assassination the Editor of *Top Secret* had received a warning from one of his sources within the military intelligence (DMI) saying that "a big and top secret operation is planned for the Eastern holidays. It is directed against at least one member of the ANC leadership ..." Unfortunately no one of our contact persons within the ANC could be contacted in time for conveying this message.

2) Cde. Chris Hani was shot from two directions. At least three people (one driver and two killers) and two cars were involved.

3) The man who was arrested was not only a long-lasting member of the AWB, he belongs furthermore to one of the units set up by DMI and the Special Forces of the police under "Operation Thunderstorm". As camouflage for their precisely targeted attacks, they use the changing code names of radical right-wing - often fictional - organizations. So far they have appeared under the following code names, among others: White Wolves, Orde Boerevolk, Boere Republican Army, Pretoria Boere Kommandos. The aim of this strategy is to draw attention away from the true originators of the terrorism carried out within the framework of "Operation Thunderstorm". Another method by which the same originators aim at the same goal is the apparently random massacres of civilians. In this context we have to understand the list that was allegedly found containing the names of 10 politicians - including President de Klerk - to be assassinated; this "list" is nothing more than a desperate attempt to cover the true nature of the operation and the unit that carried out the operation. This morning we have received information that operations are planned against Cde. Winnie Mandela, Cde. Jacob Zuma, Cde. Harry Gwala, the leader of the ANC Youth League and some members of the ANC intelligence department.

The assassination of Cde. Chris Hani falls into the strategy of the regime that is aimed to destabilize the ANC by methods of terror, buying time and "compromises" at the negotiation table, that do not harm the basic structures of the Apartheid society.

According to one of our sources within the S.A. intelligence community the regime is unfolding a plan - code-named "Operation Iron Fist" - in order

-- (a) first to neutralize the ANC intelligence apparatus and

-- (b) prepare a massive purge against so-called "militant forces" covered as anti-crime and anti-APLA operations

a) special operations - organized by the secret team of "Operation Thunderstorm" - have been set up in order to neutralize the ANC's Intelligence and Security Department. These operations include:



i) the reorganization of the so-called "detainee campaign" with the strategic aim to single out individuals as responsible and to pressurize the ANC to take action against these individuals and the intelligence department as a whole;

ii) heavy surveillance on well targetted members of the ANC intelligence department with the option of selected assassinations;

b) the regime has started to mobilize reserve forces for the army and the police in order "to combat crime" and APLA. Internally the regime is preparing the purge against the so-called militants by calling MK-members "criminals". Recently "Kat" Liebenberg had called in several high-ranking officers of the SADF and DMI mapping out a strategy for that purge that will be based on the following elements:

-- publicly the purge will be seen as a massive strike against crime and APLA. The Bure's strategists are calculating that the majority of the ANC leadership will not like to be seen as an obstacle for combatting crime and will - according to the regime's strategists - "limit their reaction to our campaign to lipp-service statements". During its second and third stage the purge will be directed against selected "militant cadres" of the ANC (Youth League; Intelligence Department; MK; some regional branches). Liebenberg was referring during his speech to these so-called militants as "criminals with whom we have to deal with ..."

-- the purge will unfold in all its aspects and strategies only after a principal agreement between the ANC and NP on elections, constitution and "power sharing" has been reached and signed. Publicly the regime will now try to exploit the assassination of Cde. Chris Hani to intensify the propaganda for "reinstalling law and order".

During the week-end before Eastern (03.04./04.04.93) the former ANC-chief representative in Britain was found dead in his private home. *Top Secret* had exposed Solly Smith as one of the elements working for the regime's intelligence apparatus within the ANC. Solly Smith was prepared to talk; therefore he was poisoned by DMI-agents.

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