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Manuel  
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Political Correspondent

CAPE TOWN â\200\224 Planning Minister in the Presidency Trevor Manuel is trying to carve out a space for his national planning commission without-treading on the prerogatives and sensitivities of his colleagues in the Cabinet.

This became clear yesterday during a briefing to an ad hoc parliamentary committee St up to consider the green paper on national strategic planning.

At the same time, Manuel is fighting a rearguard, action against the trade union movement, which accuses him of empire building and crowding out their own man in the Cabinet, Economic Development Minister Ebrahim Patel.

The interplay of all these forces will be critical in determining how powerful or circumscribed the embryonic national planning commission will be, and to what extent its work in formulating a long-term vision for the country will underpin future government policies.

Manuel refused flatly to respond to media questions about criticism of him by the Congress of South African Trade Unions, which has accused him of

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accumulating too much power. He said that he would not deal with personality issues but only the facts at hand.

However, Manuel assured the committee that he did not believe the divisions were that big and beyond the reach of persuasion.

If I didn't believe that I would not be sitting here.

In demarcating the space of the new commission, Manuel conceded that the issue of how it

would interact with the Cabinet and ministers was unresolved. We don't know how this will work in practice, he said.

The commission would not get involved in the micro and sector planning of departments, but would develop the frameworks and parameters influencing sec-

toral plans. It would not be a gate-

keeper for plans of departments.

Ministers will still be accountable for the plans of the departments, which is to be overseen by Parliament, Manuel said. The

commission would also not intervene directly in budgeting, which would be the responsibility of the Treasury, but its plans would influence allocation of resources.

But he said the commission would need the power to intervene where decisions were not sequenced properly and there was lack of co-ordination. It would have to be able to nudge policies without overcentralising or pretending it could and see, feel, touch and order everything.  
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Deputy minister says the country cannot

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THE government is looking into a major overhaul of the local government system, Deputy Co-operative Governance Minister Yunus Carrim indicated yesterday, saying that the current model was 'not working'.

Carrim, speaking at a conference of the Institute of Municipal Finance Officers in Johannesburg, said SA could not 'afford to let

local government continue the

way it does. We need changes.'

Several municipalities are in crisis as they cannot generate sufficient revenue. And 'service-delivery' protests have been on the rise in the past year with residents frustrated by inefficient local government.

Overhauling the system would give the government a chance to devise a plan to support financially unviable municipalities, help root out corruption in local councils and enforce new rules.

Measures Carrim envisages include:  
- Changing boundaries to get rid of unviable municipalities; -

- Amending the Municipal Finance Management Act, with local authorities influencing what should change;

- Simplifying financial rules to make administration less cumbersome, and improving financial training for councillors and officials; :

- Doing away with the two-tier system of district and local municipalities; and

- Entrenching more 'professional' local administration by discouraging political parties from interfering in that sphere of government with 'populist and short-term' measures.

Carrim said the state needed to evaluate whether to separate the legislative and executive functions of local government more clearly, as was the case at the provincial and national levels. On lack of proper financial controls, he said SA could not afford the luxury of inadequate responses.

According to the 2007-08 report of the auditor-general, only 1% of the 283 municipalities received unqualified reports, 20% had qualified audits and 13% had audits outstanding.

The Democratic Alliance (DA) welcomed the proposal to do away with district municipalities as they added no value.

DA deputy co-operative governance spokeswoman Marti Wenger said: "District municipalities have not delivered, especially in their oversight role, and they serve no purpose."

But analysts warned that doing away with unviable municipalities could simply add to the burden of other local authorities.

"The key question is what does one do with unviable municipalities? Simply adding them to

not afford a system that is not working

others, which are already under strain, might worsen the problem," said Municipal IQ analyst Kevin Allen.

The Department of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs says 57 municipalities receive more than 75% of their revenue from national transfers.

Several municipalities depended 100% on grants. Allen warned that these municipalities often had large economically inactive populations. Incorporating them into municipalities that were marginally self-sufficient could make matters worse.

Carrim said some of the changes could be introduced

before local government elections next year, but most would be effected afterwards.

\_Carrim also said at the conference that unless the state improved financial management and fiscal governance in municipalities, it could not improve service delivery and development significantly.

A sound financial model that also took into account the

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development mandate of municipalities would be at the heart of any restructuring in municipalities, he said.

â\200\234Changes to the current model.

of local government will have to provide for more effective governance of municipalities.

â\200\234Aspects of this would include greater clarity on the respective role of politicians and administrators in the financial management of municipalities, a clearer

separation of the legislative and executive functions of municipalities, and more effective oversight by \* councillors of executive structures,â\200\235 Carrim said.

His comments coincided with a review of all three spheres of government, which he said was driven by â\200\234practical and – not ideologicalâ\200\235 considerations.

At a national indaba on local government later this month, to be addressed by President Jacob Zuma, the government hopes to fine-tune its turnaround strategy,

which includes â\200\234operation clean auditâ\200\235. This is aimed at eradicating adverse reports and disclaimers from the auditor-general.

Carrim said the department had targeted 2014 as the deadline by which all municipalities should have unqualified audits with no

– matters of emphasis.

But analysts have warned that lack of capacity made the governmentâ\200\231s 2014 target highly ambitious, and said a more realistic approach was needed.  
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Acid test for ANC's commitment to democracy

HILE those who shape the national debate avert their eyes, the government's commitment to democracy is

being tested in a Durban shack settlement. And it is failing.

Ten days ago, armed men descended on the Kennedy Road shack settlement. They reportedly killed several people and drove hundreds out. The raid was aimed at activists of the Abahlali baseMjondolo (AbM) shack-dwellers' movement, whose leaders fled the settlement after being warned they would be killed. AbM has repeatedly challenged the local African National Congress (ANC) leadership; it has urged members not to vote and has launched a Constitutional Court action against the government.

Activists say the armed men are associated with the local ANC, which researchers say vowed to turn the AbM office in the area into an ANC office. Police reportedly did nothing to stop the attacks, but later arrested people associated with AbM. On the Monday after the violence, police arrived in numbers with the local ANC councillor and provincial safety and security MEC Willies Mchunu, who held a public meeting at which they reportedly endorsed AbM's forced expulsion from the settlement.

A statement by Mchunu and the office of provincial police commissioner Hamilton Ngidi claimed that the provincial government moved swiftly to liberate ... (Kennedy Road) that had been placed on an illegal curfew, wherein residents had been forced to stop

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watching television, walking or cooking after seven at night.

Local activists insist that the only curfew imposed on the area closed shebeens at 10pm, and was negotiated with police.

Claims that police were protecting residents would be more plausible had there not been a history of tension between AbM and the local ANC in which police have been

accused of acting against AbM. It would also

be more credible if a press report had not quoted an ANC source saying that there was a battle for the hearts and minds of the people of Kennedy Road ... There is a political twist to this thing. Nor does the province's statement say why, if a crime was committed, the initial action against AbM activists was taken not by police acting within the law, but by a mob shouting slogans hostile to Mpondo residents of the settlement.

The context and the evidence suggest that what was really happening was an attempt to cripple an organisation that the local ANC dislikes. AbM's president, Sbu Zikode, insists that the ANC has invaded Kennedy Road. We have been arrested, beaten, killed, jailed

and made homeless by their armed wing. So far, neither the province nor the ANC has produced plausible evidence to contradict this claim.

This is not the first time police and ANC branches have worked together against social movements that are independent and sometimes highly critical of the ANC. Local ANC leaders in other areas, used to a monopoly, are threatened by independent activists, and seek to drive them away. In some cases, police have been accused of helping them.

While political freedom has been respected at the national level, at the grassroots level the constitution's promise of the right to act within the law to influence decisions has often been rendered meaningless by local power-brokers protecting their turf. :

This latest incident suggests, in two ways, an escalation of the attacks on independent activists, which greatly increases the threat to democracy.

First, until now there was no evidence that provincial or national politicians supported these attempts to muzzle ANC critics. It seemed likely that senior ANC figures were unaware of what local party bosses were doing. Now, an apparent attempt to close down ANC critics is endorsed by an MEC. This suggests that the provincial ANC in President Jacob Zuma's home province is supporting a campaign to eliminate an organisation that the local ANC sees as a threat.

Second, the claim that the mob that descended on Kennedy Road was mobilising ethnic prejudices is particularly disturbing.

Activists claim that Zuma's rise to the presidency has sparked a resurgence of ethnic prejudice in KwaZulu-Natal. The attack on AbM does nothing to contradict them.

It is no exaggeration to insist that democracy's immediate future is at stake in Kennedy Road and wherever the rights of

grassroots citizens to organise is denied. If we ignore events there, and the apparent complicity of senior politicians in attacks on citizens' organisations that displease the ANC, we open the door to the erosion of the freedoms of everyone, including the commentators and middle-class citizens groups who seem to show no interest in the rights and freedoms of shack dwellers.

Democracy means that all citizens are allowed to express themselves. If people at the grassroots do not enjoy that right, democracy is not operating for most of our people. And it may then be only a matter of time before power-holders decide that the rest of us need to be curbed.

The shack dwellers of AbM and other grassroots activists threatened by local power are the front line in the fight to keep us democratic.

We need to make their right to a voice a priority and to force provincial and national politicians to account for their role in suppressing, or failing to protect, that right.

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End divisive - debate, 1 begs Manuel

MINISTER in the Presidency  
Trevor Manuel has pleaded for  
an end to the â\200\234divisive debateâ\200\235  
around the proposed National  
Planning Commission and for  
discussion of the countryâ\200\231s  
long-term planning to be  
â\200\234depersonalisedâ\200\235.

Manuel was responding to  
questions from MPs about  
Cosatuâ\200\231s recent blistering  
attack on him during its  
national congress, when the

former finance minister was  
accused of seeking ultimate  
control over policymaking,  
especially in the economic  
arena.

He was briefing a new ad  
hoc parliamentary committee  
formed to consider the green  
paper Manuel released recently  
on proposals for setting up the  
machinery to deliver a national  
strategic plan for the country.

â\200\234I want to say, â\200\230Letâ\200\231s take

Manuel out of the equation,â\200\231â\200\235  
the minister said. â\200\234Letâ\200\231s deper-  
sonalise this thing in its en-  
tirety... letâ\200\231s focus on the sub-  
stance of the green paper.â\200\235  
Manuel told MPs the plan-  
ning commission was not in-  
tended to be a panacea for all

â\200\230the countryâ\200\231s problems.

â\200\234It is not the solve-all. We  
want to allow in sufficient light  
to see a little bit further,â\200\235 he  
said. - Political Bureau

KZN alumni project slated

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POLITICAL STAFF

OPPOSITION parties in the  
KwaZulu-Natal legislature  
have expressed reservations  
about the governmentâ\200\231s spon-  
sored alumni project, which  
seeks to entice former KZN pro-

professionals working around the world to return to the province. They say the project is a waste of money as it has not produced any tangible results.

The criticism comes just days before another government delegation jets out to Dubai to further the alumni programme.

The office of the premier announced yesterday that a delegation, led by Premier Zweli Mkhize, would visit the United Arab Emirates on Friday.

The nine-member delegation, including Trade and Investment

KZN officials, would later be joined by Economic Development and Tourism MEC Mike Mabuyakhulu.

â\200\234We have earmarked the Gulf states as a priority area for the purposes of sourcing investments and for the promotion of tourism,â\200\235 said Mkhize.

A spokesman for the premierâ\200\231s office, Ndabe Sibiyi, said Mkhize would also address South Africans in the UAE at an event organised through the Ebandla Project.

The project was initiated by former premier Sâ\200\231bu Ndebele. Since its inception, the provincial government has held reunion dinners in Joburg, Cape Town, London and New York.

ACDP leader Jo-Ann Downs said yesterday she had not heard of a positive result from

the initiative. Minority Front leader Amichand Rajbansi said the province was not getting value from the project.

â\200\234We need to spend more time finding out what drives people away from KZN, rather than going to London to try to get people back to the province,â\200\235 Rajbansi said.â\200\235

Sibiyi defended the project, saying it was difficult to ascertain its benefit in monetary terms. â\200\234But there is no doubt that the Ebandla campaign, through its reunions, website communications, newsletters,

media exposure and general inquiries, creates dialogue and generates direct deals, some of which are brought to our attention.â\200\235 Additionally, more than 25 senior business people supported it, making substantial financial contributions.

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Support for  
Semenya  
â\200\230welcomeâ\200\231

CASTER Semenyaâ\200\231s  
elder sister Winnie has  
welcomed the support  
from the ANC.

ANC spokesman  
Ishmael Mnisi described  
yesterdayâ\200\231s visit to  
Pretoria University,  
where the world  
champion athlete is  
studying, and her home  
at Masehlong in Limpopo  
asa â\200\234factfinding  
missionâ\200\235 to find ways of  
helping her.

Winnie said: â\200\234Itâ\200\231s not  
that we are worried or  
stressed about all these  
negative things about my  
sister, but we are happy  
that the ANC came to  
give us support.

â\200\234It was good to see  
them here, especially  
Winnie Madikizela-  
Mandela, because we  
never thought someone  
like her would visit this  
place.

â\200\234Seeing her at our  
home was such a great  
feeling because she is  
such an inspiration.â\200\235

ANC spokesman  
Jackson Mthembu said  
the parties at the meeting  
discussed practical ways  
in which they could  
support Semenya  
following the controversy  
around her gender  
testing after she won a  
gold medal in Berlin. -  
Mercury Correspondent



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Selebi was grateful, says Agliotti

KARYN MAUGHAN & ALEX ELISEEV

GLENN Agliotti's friendship with former police chief Jackie Selebi was a lucrative investment that earned him millions - if his testimony is to be believed.

As the self-appointed gatekeeper to the country's former top police officer, Agliotti commanded massive consultancy fees from the Kebble family and former fugitive businessman Billy Rautenbach.

And, as a police informant nicknamed 'Piccone', Agliotti also earned R110 000 for his recruitment and for providing information about an R80 million Mandrax deal.

While testifying that he had paid a total of about R1m to 'keep Selebi on board', Agliotti charged the Kebbles \$1 million (about R7.5m) and Rautenbach \$100 000 for access to the then national police commissioner.

He said the Kebbles wanted Selebi's help with 'problems' they had with the Associated Intelligence Network investigative company and Rautenbach had wanted the arrest warrant against him squashed.

Agliotti said his efforts to 'take care' of Selebi over a period of a year and a little bit included shopping sprees in Sandton City and designer gifts from his travels abroad. Only the best - Gucci, Louis Vuitton and Hugo Boss - would do.

He told how Selebi's wife and he had shopped together for her birth-

AGLIOTTI

day present from him: a R10 000 red Louis Vuitton handbag.

According to Agliotti, he also gave Selebi R30 000 to host a dinner to lobby for the Interpol presidency - a position he received in 2004.

Asked by prosecutor Gerrie Nel how Selebi responded to the pay-

ments, Agliotti replied: â\200\234He was obviously grateful.â\200\235

Refusing to look at Selebi through the five hours that he testified yesterday, Agliotti told the Johannesburg High Court about how he had befriended Selebi in the 1990s, and offered to pay a R1200

medical bill for one of his children. .

Agliotti said the payments grew and finally reached the highest payment of R200 000.

Agliotti described how the money had been channelled from the Kebble-controlled JCI and CMMS mining companies through

an outside company, called Spring Lights, and paid to Selebi in cash.

Asked if he had ever been confronted by the authorities about the payments he was making to Selebi, Agliotti said that crime intelligence boss Mulangi Mphego had called him to an urgent meeting.

Mphego, Agliotti said, had been monitoring â\200\234my phone and everyone else, and asked me about the \$1m (he was paid by the Kebbles)â\200\235.

â\200\234T denied it emphatically and told him I used the accusedâ\200\231s name to secure payment from the Kebbles ... I didnâ\200\231t want Selebi to know the amount I had asked for,â\200\235 he said.

Agliottiâ\200\231s evidence also showed that he had been protective over Selebi out of fear that allowing the Kebbles to have greater contact with the commissioner would have been bad for business. â\200\234I didnâ\200\231t want them to have easy access to Selebi or they wouldnâ\200\231t need me.â\200\235

He reluctantly arranged several dinner dates for Selebi and Brett Kebble, the slain mining magnate whose â\200\234assisted suicideâ\200\235 the State claims Agliotti masterminded.

Agliotti said Selebi had helped arrange for the Kebblesâ\200\231 complaints to be heard by Mphego and other police officials and had made inquiries about whether there was an international arrest warrant out for Rautenbach.

Selebi is facing a count of corruption and another of defeating the ends of justice.

TANIA BROUGHTON

SENIOR Durban advocate has taken on the eThekweni Municipality in what could be a precedent-setting court challenge of its 'pay now, fight later' policy regarding rates payments. Advocate Julian King, SC, says forcing people to pay rates based on valuations which they cannot appeal against because no appeal board has been set up, is unfair, unconstitutional and unlawful. He has obtained an Interim interdict, stopping council officials from disconnecting

Believing it to be over-valued by R500 000, he objected the following month. While the objection process was continuing, the city advised ratepayers that they could pay rates on what they regarded as the fair value of their properties.

It took eight months to decide on my objection. The value was reduced to R1.8 million, which I still do not agree with,' he said.

Save for the disputed portion of rates, he continued to pay every cent he owed for rates, electricity and water, but in September received a final demand for arrears

and officials arrived at his house to cut off his electricity,

his electricity and 'It's a bit rich for me to say the He said the water until the out-

come of his dispute 'I've been blaming the city

with the city over his rates bill.

The municipality consented to the interim order But municipal manager Michael Sutcliffe said yesterday that

the matter would be opposed when it returned to court at the end of November.

â\200\234We believe we have a strong Ccase and we argue against his position,â\200\235 he said.

The advocate is one of more than 5000 ratepayers who remain aggrieved at the high valuations placed on their properties and are waiting for their appeals to be aired before a provincial appeals board, which has not yet been set up.

In the meantime, the city is forcing them to pay rates on the higher valuations - and if they donâ\200\231t pay up, their electricity and water is being disconnected.

King has another objection: he says the relevant legislation also dictates that, on request, the municipal valuator must provide written reasons for the decision made in the objection phase. .

Despite asking for reasons in October last year, he has had no response.

In his affidavit before the Durban High Court, King says he is entitled to the interdict, which must remain in place not only until he has been given these reasons, but until the appeals board has been established â\200\234so I can exercise my right of appealâ\200\235.

He said he was notified in January last year that his Gillitts property had been valued at just more than R1.9 million.

municipality contemplated that there were laws which entitled it to cut off water and electri-

â\200\224 Ethekewini municipal city supply because manager Michael Sutcliffe of

outstanding rates, â\200\234but I dispute 3% this contentionâ\200\235.

The failure to es-

tablish appeals boards in the

province had been: blamed on a

shortage of valuers and the poor pay being offered.

According to parliamentary questions tabled in August, there was a further delay because the city had had problems with some of the nominations of valuers who had participated in the preparation of the initial roll. The province was now waiting for feedback on new recommendations.

But Sutcliffe said: "It's a bit rich for the province to be blaming the city. They should have done proper screening in the first place. We have given feedback on all the nominations and the ball is now in their court. We urge them to appoint the board."

John Steenhuisen, DA caucus leader in the provincial legislature, said King's case could have a profound impact.

"It is wrong to disconnect people. There is no prejudice to municipalities because the act provides for costs awards and retrospective payment of arrear rates. In addition, they have the property as security should the appeals board rule in the council's favour

"The provincial department of local government must bear responsibility for this mess. The DA is awaiting the outcome of King's case and hopes that it will herald justice for ratepayers," he said.

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BRONWYN GERRETSEN

S THOUSANDS of union members prepare to picket and demonstrate around the country today in support of a ban on labour brokers, broking companies warn that about 100000 workers in KwaZulu-Natal and at least 500 000 in the country could face unemployment if they closed down.

Cosatu and its affiliated unions, including the National Union of Metalworkers of South Africa (Numsa), have said that labour brokers and decent work cannot coexist.

In a statement yesterday, Numsa said workers should â\200\234never allow themselves to be driven back into the dark days of Jan van Riebeeckâ\200\231s slave-master relations and apartheid capitalism, where they are denied their labour and human rights, and where they are racially fragmented, exploited and oppressed by South African white capitalismâ\200\235.

Public hearings into the issue would be held in the province tomorrow.

Although many labour brokers are open to regulation of the industry, they believe that a complete ban would endanger the working prospects of all their workers.

Angela Dick, CEO of Transman, said the contribution labour brokers made to the economy was â\200\234invaluableâ\200\235, as no business always operated at the same level of activity and therefore could not afford to maintain its normal overheads.

â\200\234The staffing services industry in South Africa gene-

rates R26 billion in revenue, of

which at least 80 percent is linked directly to placed staff wages and benefits.

â\200\234We provided a minimum of 500 000 South African citizens with jobs, plus a further 30 000 to support industry.

â\200\234At least six to 10 people are supported by each of these breadwinners, meaning that the staffing services industry is responsible for feeding at least 3 million to 4 million South African citizens daily.â\200\235

Dick said that in a population of more than 47.5 million people, the latest statistics showed that 13.8 million people were employed and that there were no jobs for the remaining 17.1 million people available to work.

Sleight of hand

â\200\234Does the government really believe that by banning temporary employment service providers, all of our unemployed citizens will magically become permanent members of staff?â\200\235 she asked.

â\200\234That the business community in South Africa that runs the economy of this country is in a position to carry all these additional expenses, with no guarantee of further business to justify this?

â\200\234Does the government have the right to take our peopleâ\200\231s jobs away from them and put their livelihoods at risk for no valid justifiable reason when their own homework has not been done?â\200\235

Carl Emmanuel, director of Dorman Labour Services, said labour brokers gave employees the opportunity of not being

limited to working for only one company, allowing them a better opportunity to be employed.

He said the companyâ\200\231s employees were paid equal to the non-contracted people they worked alongside, and were given provident fund contributions, leave pay, holiday pay and maternity benefits.

Should labour brokers be-

banned, said Emmanuel, companies would have to absorb these workers into their companies, and the chance of them all getting employed was slim.

Lorrain Ralfe, CEO of National Manpower, said it was important to address the frequently held misconception that labour broker fees came from employees' salaries, saying that this fee was paid over and above the employee's salary and other contributions.

Furthermore, there are a large number of jobs that would not exist were it not for the ability to increase and decrease the number of staff engaged.

Banning temporary staffing would probably cost at least 250 000 jobs, which is half the industry, with most industry insiders believing that only 100 000 to 200 000 of the temporary jobs would become permanent.

She said that Cosatu should focus on specific practitioners who abused workers' rights and bring them to book.

John Kymdell, MD of Lab-sol Consulting, said that banning labour broking would be stupid. Although the industry should be more regulated, the country's labour laws already regulated it pretty well.

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. and communications appoint-

: ments are dubious. During the  
. corruption investigations of his

brother Schabir, Moe Shaik was  
alleged to have leaked informa-

tion that Mr X was Mr JG Zuma.

In cahoots with Vusi Mona,

- who worked for City Press at the @  
. time, Shaik and Mac Maharaj

. accused Bulelani Ngcuka of  
. being an apartheid spy. The

- Hefer Commission exposed :  
Â© these Zuma allies as liars. Mona

- was also exposed. It was also  
: revealed that Shaik paid

. apartheid era security colonel

' Gideon Nieuwoudt R40 000 to

Â¢ testify that Ngcuka was a Spy.

This weekend Zuma was a

. keynote speaker at the funeral  
' of the Pebco Three who were  
. allegedly killed by Nieuwoudt.

Shaik was the first to leak

; information so that Zuma would  
: be off the hook.

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In eSci¬\202e, the Imbokodo under

. Zuma and Mzwai Piliso accused  
all vocal ANC members of being

spies. This included Pallo Jor-

! dan. Until today, we do not know

who killed the Operation Vula 2,  
who were drowned in the  
Uthukela River.

The appointments of Shaik,

| Bheki Cele, Mona, Ranjeni Mun- -  
Â¢ samy, Vusi Madonsela and

Sandile Ngcobo indicates polit-  
ical mischief by Polokwane tri-  
umphalists. History of intelli-  
gence units in Chile, Zimbabwe  
and the Soviet Union provide us  
with the nature of mischief to  
come. Zuma loyalists will never  
be prosecuted during his reign.  
Gab Mdlopane, Port Shepstone

. PICKET CALL: Irvin Jim }

â\200\230A11 labour  
brokers  
must be  
bannedâ\200\231

Vusi Ndlovu

THE National Union of Met-  
alworkers of South Africa  
has launched a campaign 10  
ban labour brokering.

Numsa general secretary  
Irvin Jim did not mince his  
words yesterday when he  
called for nationwide pick-

ets at premises of companies using labour brokers.

Jim said the union, with the blessing of their federation Cosatu, â\200\234did not needâ\200\235 Labour Minister Membathisi Mdladlana in their campaign to ban the practice of labour brokering.

â\200\234Minister or no minister, we will ban labour brokers. We donâ\200\231t need the minister on this one,â\200\235 Jim said.

Addressing journalists in Johannesburg Jim said: â\200\234As per our Cosatu 10th national congress declaration, Numsa will join other Cosatu affiliates in action on October 7, an International Day of Action, to ban modern day slavery, as represented by labour brokers in our country.â\200\235

He said letters of demand would be sent to companies using labour brokers to permanently employ all their workers.

Jim also referred to a study by University of Cape Town economics professor Haroon Bhorat, which revealed that South Africa was the most unequal society in the world.

He said the study showed that while inequality has risen among black people, the growth of white salaries surpassed those of black peopleâ\200\231s salaries.

The fight against labour brokering comes amid ongoing parliamentary debate â\200\224 with certain opposition parties viewing it as 2 means of job creation in South Africa.

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CLEAR-CUT: IFP leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi

Confidence in  
police is eroding,  
says Buthelez

Canaan Mdletshe

â\200\234THEREâ\200\231S an eroding confidence in the contem-  
porary force, due in part to corruption and the  
frequent reluctance of police to act on crime reports  
or visit crime scenes.â\200\235

This is the view of IFP leader Mangosuthu  
Buthelezi.

Writing in his weekly online column, Buthelezi  
said that for the country to win the fight against  
crime thereâ\200\231s a need for a police force that is â\200\234non-  
aligned and that takes policing decisions that  
protect peopleâ\200\231s rights under the Constitutionâ\200\235.

He said such a police service must also have  
better resources.

He said the crime statistics published last week  
underlines the truth of the dictum â\200\234lies, damned  
lies, and statisticsâ\204ç.

Some figures released showed that house rob-  
beries were up 27 percent for the year ending in  
March, business robberies up 41 percent, while  
sex crimes were up 10,1 percent and carjacking  
up 5 percent.

â\200\234A large part of the problem is that as the  
apartheid-era police force was feared and dis-

trusted, now surveys indicate eroding confidence in the contemporary force due in part to corruption and the frequent reluctance of police to act on crime reports or visit crime scenes," he said.

Buthlezi said though he likes President Jacob Zuma's straight-talking, it, however, does sometimes evoke President Bush's cowboy rhetoric: "We're going to smoke them out." "Is it compelling and popular? Yes. Is it sensible? No." he said.

He said Zuma's support to police station commanders last week to shoot to kill is dangerous.

"Until legislation is changed with watertight safeguards, such direction from Zuma could land police officers in hot water," he said.

Buthlezi said as the IFP, they recognise that more police powers, while intrinsically is a good thing, creates more room for corrupt practices.

"Therefore it is imperative that a culture of discipline be inculcated in our police force.

"Particularly where illegal firearms are so easily available, there is a danger that guns may be planted on suspects," he said.

Sne Masuku

MANGOSUTHU University of Technology is to appoint a new vice - chancellor next month. Â\$

But the successful candidate will only take over the top position in January 2010.

The short-listing and interviewing of applicants for the positionâ\200\224 previously occupied by suspended vice chancellor Aaron Ndlovu - is currently under way.

gpokesperson Jerome  
ppointed to shortlist  
ancellor included  
e university council an  
bers of the Student Representati

Yesterday university  
Ngwenya said a panel a  
the applications for vice ch  
members of th

ations for the position were acdver-  
tised in August and the closing date was the  
end of September.

While the recruitment proces  
an internal hearing

expected to be concluded in the next few  
weeks. He was suspended [rom the university  
last year alter allegations of poor governance  
and mismanagement of university funds.

The list of charges against Ndlovu include  
that of assaulting a lecturer allegedly after he  
(Ndlovu) was suspended.

Prof Jonathan Jansen was appointed by  
former Minister of Education Naledi Pandor  
early this year as caretaker administrator to  
restore normality at-the institution in Umlazi.

Ngwenya said the hearings were set to be  
concluded by next Friday.

He said that the members of the council  
would then be briefed about the findings of  
the hearings.

â\200\234The executive committee will be briefed on  
the findings and on the recommendations

before finally making their decision.

possibly the verdict (on the application)  
would be made two weeks after the con-

clusion of the hearing.

Anna Majavu

TREVOR Manuel has called on Cosatu to â\200\230â\200\234depersonaliseâ\200\235 their objections to his -

Green Paper on National Strategic Planning.

The Minister of National Planning in the Presidency released his proposed policy document last month, sparking outrage from Cosatu.

Cosatu accused Manuel of setting himself up as a â\200\234super-ministerâ\200\235 with power over Economic Development Minister Ebrahim Patel.

Manuel was quizzed Dby MPs about the â\200\234turf warâ\200\235 in a meeting of the ad hoc com-

mittee on the Green Paper on Strategic National Planning in Parliament yesterday.

Manuel said: â\200\234Take Trevor Manuel out of the equation. Letâ\200\231s depersonalise this thing in its entirety.

â\200\234The document says we canâ\200\231t presume we can sit-in the Presidency and be all-knowing and take responsibility for what other line functions do. There is a need for long-term planning. Some-

bodyâ\200\231s got to take responsibility. The detail and implementation comes from elsewhere. We are going to do this. Itâ\200\231s getting this right that will provide us with the successâ\200\235,

II'P MP Narend Singh said the only question was whether planning would contribute to better use of state resources. He urged MPs to ignore media reports about turf wars between Patel and

Manuel. â\200\234We must not allow planning to become a swear



word,â\200\235 he said.

But National Education  
Health and Allied Workers  
Union general secretary Ii-  
kile Majola said the union  
wanted Manuelâ\200\231s Green  
Paper to be negotiated in Ned-  
lac before Cabinet adopts it.

In his Green Paper, Manuel  
rubbishes Nedlae, the tripar-  
tite forum which issues strike  
notices and where govern-

ment, business and labour  
negotiate new laws.

â\200\234Tach social sector has  
tended to pursue narrow  
interests, often at the expense  
of longer-term objectives,â\200\235  
Manuel wrote.

The statement apparently  
angered Cosatu because they  
saw Patel as a very effective  
Nedlac labour convenor prior  
to his appointment as min-  
ister of economic develop-  
ment in May.

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LEGAL THREAT:  
Helen Zille

Zille could  
sue unionist

Anna Majavu

THE brief truce  
between Helen Zille  
and Cosatu Western  
Cape secretary Tony  
Ehrenreich is over.

The Western Cape  
premier is threatening  
to sue Ehrenreich for  
defamation over his  
allegation that she  
went on a â\200\234jauntâ\200\235 to  
Germany this year to

visit her family.

Zille says his claim  
that she â\200\234snuck outâ\200\235 of  
the country on a  
â\200\234jauntâ\200\235 to Germany  
gave the impression  
that she had abused  
government resources  
for the trip.

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More Ngcuka claims'

MORE claims against former chief prosecutor Bulelani Ngcuka emerged in court yesterday as convicted drug dealer Glenn Agliotti testified on the second day of the graft trial of former police commissioner Jackie Selebi.

Agliotti testified about how he met former Hyundai boss and mining businessman Billy Rautenbach in Zimbabwe for the first time.

Rautenbach had requested to meet Agliotti because he had heard that he was

connected to Selebi.

A warrant of arrest had been issued against Rautenbach on tax evasion charges.

He told Agliotti he had information incriminating Ngcuka that Selebi could use.

"Billy was of the opinion that Ngcuka had abused his powers within his office to conspire against him, and secondly, Billy indicated to me that Ngcuka had tried to extort a bribe for certain favours in exchange for information," Agliotti told the court. Sapa

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Dudu Busani

GLENN Agliotti testified that he took care of former police commissioner Jackie Selebi and solicited money from top businessmen using the top policeman's name.

Agliotti is the key state witness and the first to testify in Selebi's trial on corruption and defeating the ends of justice charges in the Johannesburg high court.

Agliotti told the court that he had been paid \$1 million by the late Brett Kebble's family for him to connect and organise meetings between them and Selebi.

I cemented a relationship with the Keb-

bles based on that I had a close relationship with Selebi. I told them it would cost them \$1 million to bring him on board.

Meeting Selebi

The meeting eventually happened between me, Selebi and (John) Stratton and there were about six more (meetings) after that, with the Kebbles.

Every time the Kebbles wanted a meeting with Selebi I would call him, meet him somewhere and he would follow me in his car to the meeting venue, Agliotti said.

He said he was introduced to the Kebble family by Paul Stemmet, also a witness in the trial, the same man

who referred him to the  
SAPS to be their  
informer.

â\200\234The Kebbles are a  
prominent mining fam-  
ily in SA. Stemmet was  
their head of security,  
he introduced me to  
Brett who was the CEO  
at the time and Stratton  
who was the director.

â\200\234Stratton told the  
family [ had a close rela-  
tionship with Selebi,

SPILL BEANS: Glenn  
Agliotti

which they were grate-  
ful for because they had  
a matter with an inves-  
tigations company  
called AIN which they  
needed to be handled at  
the highest level.

â\200\234Imet with Selebi and  
gave him documents  
containing the Kebbleâ\200\231s  
problem ... I would give  
him money, at first it  
was small amounts,  
R5 000s and R10 000s in  
an envelope, obviously  
he was grateful for the  
money,â\200\235 he said.

Agliotti said he  
informed the Kebbles  
that he was taking care  
of Selebi financially. At  
this point the amounts  
paid to him [Agliotti]  
increased, - so did  
Selebiâ\200\231s.

â\200\234The biggest amount  
he got from me was  
R200000 and R120 000  
which he said he  
needed. I paid him  
about R1million in  
rands and US dollars in  
a period of a year and a  
bit. T also bought him  
and his children clothes  
and a R10 000 bag for his

wife, and the same bag  
for Ntombi (Selebiâ\200\231s  
girlfriend),â\200\235 he said.

Another business-  
man who paid Agliotti  
for his â\200\234Selebi Servicesâ\200\235  
was Billy Rautenbach,

: who lived in Zimbabwe

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at the time after fleeing  
South Africa to avoid  
being prosecuted for  
fraud and tax evasion.

Mgcuka's letter

â\200\234There was a letter  
from the NPA (National  
Prosecuting Authority),  
signed by the then head  
Bulelani Ngcuka. Billy  
said Ngcuka had tried

\_to solicit a bribe from

him in return for some  
favours...,â\200\235 he said.

Agliotti had told  
Rautenbach that he  
would require money  
for his services.

â\200\234I met with Billy  
again in Democratic  
Republic of Congo  
where he paid me  
3100 000. I gave Selebi  
\$30 000.â\200\235 )

He said while he was  
â\200\234consultingâ\200\235 for the  
Kebbles, he was called  
into a meeting by the  
then head of the  
National Intelligence  
Agency Mulangi  
Mphego who asked him  
about the money he  
received from the Keb-  
bles.

Agliotti told the court  
that he had met Selebi  
in the late 1990s at the  
ANC headquarters and  
had offered to assist in  
raising funds for des-  
titute activists return-  
ing from exile.

â\200\234That venture did not  
succeed so we both went

our ways. We only met again in the early 2000s through a friend called Yusuf, who had called a meeting with Selebi. We were both happy to see each other after such a long break,â\200\235 he said.

Agliotti is expected to tell the court today what favours Selebi did for him in return for the money.

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Casterâ\200\231s fan

LEBOGANG SEALE AND  
MOGOMOTSI MAGOME

CASTER Semenyaâ\200\231s elder sister, Winnie, has welcomed the support for the family given by the ANC.

ANC media officer Ishmael Mnisi described yesterdayâ\200\231s visits to Pretoria University, where Caster is studying, and her home at Masehlong in Limpopo as a â\200\234fact-finding missionâ\200\235 to find ways of helping her.

Winnie said the family welcomed the backing from the ANC. â\200\234Itâ\200\231s not that we are worried or stressed about all these negative things about my sister, but we are happy that the ANC came to give us support,â\200\235 she said.

â\200\234It was good to see them here, especially Winnie Madi-kizela-Mandela, because we never thought someone like her would one day visit this place. Seeing her at our home was a great feeling because she is such an inspiration,â\200\235 she said.

ANC spokesman Jackson Mthembu said the parties at the meeting discussed practical ways in which they could support Caster following the controversy over sex testing after she won a gold medal at the World Athletics Championships in Berlin in August.

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ATTENTION:  
Caster  
~Semenya,  
whose family  
have  
welcomed  
support from  
the ANC after



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sex tests done  
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PICTURE:  
DUMISANI SIBEKO

â\200\234We discussed practical  
ways in which we could offer  
her our support. We also met  
with the student leadership at  
the university.

â\200\234Working through the gov-  
ernment, we have appointed  
legal brains who will look into  
what form of redress should be

welcome ANC support

taken in this regard,â\200\235 said  
Mthembu.

He said all the stakeholders  
appreciated the formation of  
the task team and had pledged  
to work together to offer her  
support.

Meanwhile, International  
Association of Athletics Feder-  
ation spokesman Nick Davies  
said yesterday the IAAF would  
need to discuss the sex verifica-  
tion test results with Semenya  
before disclosing them.

â\200\234We hope to be in a position  
soon to have a final conclusion  
on the Berlin tests from our  
independent experts.

â\200\234This will then need to be  
discussed, in private, with  
Caster and her representa-  
tives,â\200\235 Davies said.

He added that this could  
entail a visit to South Africa by  
an TAAF delegation before the  
federationâ\200\231s council meeting in  
Monaco, scheduled for Novem-  
ber 20 until 22. Until then the  
TAAF preferred not to make  
any comment.

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KARYN MAUGHAN  
AND ALEX ELISEEY

â\200\230i-â\201"â\200\231%% LENN Agliottiâ\200\231s friend-  
/A ship with former police  
â\204¢ chief Jackie Selebi was  
fmwÂ»\* a lucrative investment  
that earned him millions â\200\224 if his  
testimony is to be believed.

As the self-appointed gatekeeper  
to the countryâ\200\231s former top cop,  
Agliotti commanded massive â\200\234con-  
sultancy feesâ\200\235 from the Kebble fam-  
ily and former fugitive business-  
man Billy Rautenbach.

And, as a police informant nick-  
named â\200\234Picconeâ\200\235, Agliotti also  
coined R110 000 for his recruitment  
and for snitching on an R80 million  
mandrax deal orchestrated by a  
mysterious â\200\234Madame Chengâ\200\235.

While testifying that he paid a  
total of about R1 million to â\200\234keep  
Selebi on boardâ\200\235, Agliotti charged  
the Kebbles \$1 million (about  
R7.5m) and Rautenbach \$100 000 for  
access to the then national police  
cominissioner.

- He said the Kebbles wanted  
Selebiâ\200\231s assistance because they  
had â\200\234problemsâ\200\235 with the Associ-  
ated Intelligence â\200\230Network (AIN)  
investigative company, and Rauten-  
bach wanted the. arrest warrant  
against him quashed - which he  
believed was motivated by a

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â\200\230I didnâ\200\231t want them to have easy access to  
Selebi, or else they wouldn't need meâ\200\231

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conspiracy driven by then prose-  
cuting chief Bulelani Ngcuka.

Agliotti said his efforts to â\200\234take  
careâ\200\235 of Selebi over a period of  
â\200\234a year and a little bitâ\200\235 included  
shopping sprees in Sandton City

and expensive designer gifts from his travels abroad. Only the best - Gucci, Louis Vuitton and Hugo Boss - would do.

He further recounted how he and Selebi's wife had shopped together for her birthday present from him: a R10000 red patent leather Louis Vuitton handbag.

Agliotti said he also gave Selebi R30 000 to host a dinner in Paris that he hoped would assist him in lobbying for the Interpol presidency - a position he won in 2004.

Asked by prosecutor Gerrie Nel how Selebi responded to the payments, Agliotti replied: "He was obviously grateful."

Steadfastly refusing to look at Selebi during the five hours that he testified yesterday, Agliotti told the Johannesburg High Court about how he had befriended Selebi in the

1990s, and offered to pay a R1 200 medical bill run up by one of his children.

While his initial payments to Selebi were of no significance, Agliotti said they grew as the years went by and finally reached the highest payment of R200 000. This payment had been made in response to Selebi's claim that he had a problem and needed Rm, he said.

Agliotti described how the money was channelled from the Kebble-controlled JCI and CMMS mining companies through an outside company called Spring

Lights, and then paid in cash to.

Selebi.

Most of the money was handed over to Selebi at a company called Maverick Masupatsela, which was owned by his then girlfriend, Agliotti said.

Asked if he had ever been con-

fronted by the authorities about the !

payments he was making to Selebi, ; Agliotti revealed that crime intelli-

gence boss Mulangi Mphego had'

called him to an urgent meeting.

According to Agliotti, Mphego said he had been monitoring â\200\234my phone and everyone else, and asked me about the \$1 million (that he was paid by the Kebbles)â\200\235.

â\200\234T denied it emphatically and told him I used the accusedâ\200\231s name to secure payment from the Kebbles

.. I didnâ\200\231t want Selebi to know the amount of money I had asked forâ\200\235

Agliottiâ\200\231s evidence further revealed that he had been protective over Selebi out of fear that allowing the Kebbles to have greater contact with the commissioner would be bad for business. â\200\234They insisted on meeting Selebi, but I tried to prevent this. I didnâ\200\231t want them to have easy access to Selebi, or they wouldnâ\200\231t need me.â\200\235

He said he had then reluctantly arranged several dinner dates for Selebi and Kebble, the slain mining magnate whose â\200\234assisted suicideâ\200\235 the State claims Agliotti masterminded.

Agliotti said Selebi had helped arrange for Kebbleâ\200\231s complaints to

be heard by Mphego and other police officials, and had also made inquiries, at Rautenbachâ\200\231s behest, about whether there was an international arrest warrant out for him.

He was yesterday afternoon about to spill the beans on what Selebi allegedly did in return for his cash and gifts when an error in the Stateâ\200\231s indictment effectively gagged him.

Lawyers for the State and Selebi were due this morning to battle over whether Agliotti can give evidence about how Selebi allegedly showed him a top-secret UK intelligence report about his suspected involvement in international drug smuggling.

Nel will have to persuade Johannesburg High Court Judge Meyer Joffe to allow him to lead this evidence, which concerns events outside the time period specified in the indictment against Selebi.

National Prosecuting Authority spokesman Mthunzi Mhaga declined to explain the reason for the apparent mistake, but said the NPA was â\200\234considering its optionsâ\200\231.

Selebi is facing a count of corruption and another of defeating the ends of justice.

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IFIND it hard to comprehend that the  
ANC Youth league would openly support a  
liar like Leonard Chuene.

When one considers the line of  
influential leaders who have come  
through the ranks of the youth league,  
such as Oliver Tambo and Nelson Mandela  
to name two, as well as the role played by  
these men and others within the  
organisation in fighting for maintaining  
the integrity of indigenous South  
Africans, one cannot help but wonder  
whether the current youth league regime  
is contradicting the traditions of its  
predecessors, and what kind of leadership  
South Africa is going to inherit.

To condone lying on the premise of  
protecting one of your own can have dire  
consequences.

Not only can such a principle be  
interpreted in the broadest possible sense,  
but to make statements in support of it  
highlights the fact that our leaders do not  
seem to care about the perception of the  
very public they claim to represent.

Not only do leaders without integrity  
and credibility perpetuate negative  
stereotypes about public officials and  
representatives, but their actions can have  
severe repercussions for other members  
of society.

When the president of an athletics  
federation lies, it puts the entire  
federation into disrepute.

With a loss of reputation, sponsors  
disassociate themselves from the  
organisation and begin to withdraw  
funding.

Athletes begin to doubt the federation's  
capabilities in preserving their dignity  
and adequately protecting their right to  
privacy.

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A PROUD TRADITION: A reader says former ANC leaders, including Nelson Mandela and the late  
Oliver Tambo, put in great effort to establish a reputable organisation

Soon other potential athletes may not

want to explore their talent further, or  
may choose to represent other countries.

When the ANC Youth League defends a  
man who openly lied, it reverses the hard  
work of the Tambo and company in  
establishing a reputable organisation.

It sends a message to young people that  
in order to be at the top of the political  
landscape, one needs to adopt a dishonest

and is undoing

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value system.

If this is what we expect from our  
leaders there is something fundamentally  
flawed about our expectations.

If we as a society fail to speak out  
against and vehemently oppose this  
behaviour, we may very well be  
witnessing the beginning of the demise of  
our constitutional society. â\200\224 Xolisa  
Malkamba by e-mail

Task team wonâ\200\231t do Semenya justice

JUST when it seemed there  
would be an end to the media  
horror Caster Semenya has  
been subjected to, the poor girl  
is once again going to be in the  
spotlight.

Actually, the â\200\234task teamâ\200\235  
appointed to support her will  
be the likely focus of attention.

It has been announced that

ANC general secretary Gwede

Mantashe will lead the team,  
ably supported by Winnie  
Madikizela-Mandela and Dr  
Manto Tshabalala-Msimang.  
With extensive experience  
in nurturing young people  
(soccer teams) and curing

Chuene needs to be finally held  
accountable, and fired, as he  
should be. The probable  
destruction of a potentially  
promising career cannot be  
fixed with high-profile  
personalities and money.

helpful, but nothing can repair  
the damage done.

She has shown more dignity  
and poise than anybody, and

the gift of Winnie and Manto  
somehow falls a little flat.  
Although I am loath to stomp

disease naturally, the latter

two will have much to say.  
[It's a pity that it's not going

to help Caster at all. Leonard

Apologies from Leonard  
Chuene and Julius Malema (for  
his stupid attack over the word  
hermaphrodite) would be

through their garden party,  
this crime will not be squashed  
by a simple task team. Sue  
Richardson, Johannesburg

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TOMORROW will mark exactly a year since Mosiuoa â\200\234Tevrorâ\200\235 Lekota shook South Africaâ\200\231s political

world by serving â\200\234divorce papersâ\200\231â\204ç

on the ANC and announcing plans to establish what later came to be known as the Congress of the People. '

At a packed press briefing in Johannesburg, Lekota railed against the Jacob Zuma-led ANC â\200\224 accusing it of betraying the legacy of the liberation movement's founders.

â\200\234These elements who are not committed to these principles of the ANC may well decorate themselves with the name ANC, but they are not ANC ... the current leadership have shown they are not ANC,â\200\235 Lekota said of Zuma and the rest of his national executive committee.

He portrayed himself and those who were to follow him as the true champions of the Freedom Charter â\200\224 the 1955 document that is as important to the South African revolution as the 1776 Declaration of Independence is to America.

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Party sliding away from aspirations espoused by Lekota

His was an impressive performance, one that surely resonated with the legions of traditional ANC voters who were unhappy with the partyâ\200\231s decision to unceremoniously remove Thabo Mbeki from the presidency.

Lekotaâ\200\231s words gave hope to thousands of other South Africans who were jittery about the prospect of Zuma ascending to the highest office in the land.

Here, many would have thought, was a principled leader who was prepared to defy the might of the ruling party and lead South Africa along a new and exciting revolutionary road â\200\224 one on which the countryâ\200\231s founding document, the Constitution, reigned supreme.

But, as they say, a year is an eternity in politics.

Over the past 364 days, Lekota's promise of a radically re-configured political landscape has remained unrealised.

Granted, Cope did eat into some

of the ANC's traditional constituencies during the April election, but its impact was not that great.

It certainly did not emerge as the country's official opposition as some of its proponents had predicted. Still, emerging as the country's third-largest party with

Power struggles are not the greatest threat to Cope

representation in all nine provinces only five months after its official launching was no mean feat.

But, I'm afraid, it's been downhill ever since.

The numerous power struggles that led to Cope's second deputy president, Lynda Odendaal, and Simon Grindrod, its head of elections (who later called the party a great fraud) leaving in a huff have

not helped its course one bit.

As I write this, the party's youth leader, Anele Mda, is on suspension amid allegations that she made some unprintable remarks about Cope's deputy general secretary. Deidre Carter.

The power struggles, however, are not the greatest threat to Cope's survival. All organisations go through them and depending on the maturity of Cope's leadership the young party could still emerge stronger as a result.

But it is what the party has been doing over the past few days that suggests that it is rapidly abandoning the ideals and values espoused by Lekota at that press briefing.

Initially envisaged as an alternative to the Zuma-led ANC that would remain true to the liberation movement's core princi-

ples, Cope now appears to be seeking ideological refuge in the hosom of the DAL

Last week, in the first real step towards forging closer links. Cope and the DA jointly released a policy position paper that essentially argues for the Jabowr-broking industry to regulate itself.

The paper was apparently drafted by Cope's Willie Madisha, the erstwhile president of Cosatu the trade union federation whose membership has been bitterly opposed to labour brokers for years.

There is clearly nothing wrong with Madisha and other Cope leaders throwing in their lot with the DA. But is backing exploitative labour-brokers, even arguing that they should self-regulate a clever strategy for a party that wants to win the support of the ANC's core constituency of the poor and working class?

Surely not.

Madisha and his fellow travellers should take the trouble to listen to those at the receiving end of unscrupulous labour brokers, for they are the voters the party will need if it hopes to become the alternative Lekota promised.

Agliotti tells court he gave top cop cash and bought expensive luxuries for him and his family

KHETHIWE CHELEMU

CONVICTED drug lord Glenn Agliotti had the South Gauteng High Court, in Johannesburg, enthralled yesterday with his account of how he had the country's most senior policeman on his payroll for years.

Shortly after former national police commissioner Jackie Selebi was appointed, in 1999, Agliotti claimed he began buying him the little luxuries his heart desired.

Agliotti, who in February will stand trial for the murder of mining magnate Brett Kebble, told the court that, as well as paying Selebi about R1-million and buying fancy clothes for him, his wife and his mistress, he also cashed in on his relationship with the top cop.

He alleged that he received \$100 000 (R742 000) from former Hyundai boss and convicted tax dodger Billy Rautenbach for securing Selebi's influence in Rautenbach's favour.

This was on top of the \$1-million he was allegedly paid by Kebble and his father, Roger, and by Kebble's associate, John Stratton, to introduce them to Selebi.

He also, as a police informant, scored R720 000 from the state for information that, among other things, led to an R80-million drugs bust in the northern Johannesburg suburb of Bryanston in 2006.

Agliotti testified  
afternoon that

yesterday  
Rautenbach

paid him cash for delivering documents to Selebi.

"I was not going to do it for nothing," he said.

Rautenbach, then on the run from the law, claimed that former national director of public prosecutions Bulelani Ngcuka tried to solicit a bribe from him to quash his tax-evasion case.

â\200\234[Rautenbach] was staying in Zimbabwe and needed assistance with solving his problems

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in South Africa, Agliotti testified.

Agliotti visited him on his farm in Harare and he told me about the problems involving SARS.

Two weeks ago, Rautenbach, who is also on the list of witnesses scheduled to testify against Selebi, reached a R40-million settlement with the National Prosecuting Authority in a tax-dodging case. He pleaded guilty to 326 charges of fraud in Pretoria's Commercial Crimes Court.

Yesterday, Agliotti testified that Rautenbach asked to meet him because he had heard that Agliotti was connected to Selebi.

Rautenbach told me he had information incriminating Ngcuka that Selebi could use. He indicated that Ngcuka had tried to extort a bribe for favours in exchange for information, he said.

Agliotti testified that Rautenbach handed him a file containing a

Selebi's drug lord's pay roll

letter from the NPA, signed by Ngeuka and addressed to Rautenbach's London attorney. He then handed him \$100 000 in cash.

Rautenbach asked Agliotti to ask Selebi, then head of the international police co-ordinating body Interpol, if there was an international warrant out for his arrest.

Of that amount, Agliotti paid \$30 000 (R222000) to Selebi, on three occasions, and kept the rest for himself.

On Monday, Ngeuka released a statement denying Selebi's claims against him outlined in his plea explanation.

Agliotti rejected all these allegations with contempt, he said Ngcuka. Agliotti never attempted to extort or receive bribes from Rautenbach's team, or anyone else for that matter. Not

then and not now. It is an outright lie.

Selebi has pleaded not guilty to three charges of corruption and one of defeating the ends of justice.

Yesterday, as Agliotti took the

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wilness stand, he stood with his  
back to the man who called him  
â\200\234My friend, finish and klaarâ\200\235.  
Though Selebi watched Agliotti  
intently during his testimony, the  
pair did not make eye contact once  
during the dayâ\200\231s proceedings.  
Agliotti testified that he lavished  
gifts on Selebi â\200\224 including a R4 700

for his wife and mistress.

â\200\234He enjoyed shopping, -and so did  
1. When I travelled to London I  
bought him shoes at Harrods. I also  
bought him a pair of Louis Vuitton  
shoes in Hong Kong, â\200\235 Agliotti said.

He said he paid R10000 for a  
Louis Vuitton bag for Selebiâ\200\231s wife,  
Ann, and R6 000 for a Gueci bag for  
a woman identified as Ntombi  
Matshoba, Selebiâ\200\231s secretary.

He took Selebiâ\200\231s two sons shop-  
ping for shoes in Sandton and  
charged the bill to his own  
account. :

In one of the invoices, read out in  
court, a Selebi shopping trip set  
Agliotti back R1 700 for Hugo Boss  
shirts and R4 500 for an Etienne  
Aigner jacket, at Greys in Sandton.

â\200\234Staff at the shop knew me very

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jacket for him, and designer hags

well. I had an account. They knew  
the accused as well, and referred to  
him as chief, â\200\235 Agliotti testified.

â\200\234I told the Kebbles that, finan-  
cially, I was looking after him. â\200\235

But things started to unravel  
when the policeâ\200\231s acting head of  
crime intelligence, Commissioner  
Mulangi Mphego, asked for an  
urgent meeting with Agliotti in  
which he told him he was tapping  
Agliottiâ\200\231s phone and â\200\234everyone  
elseâ\200\231sâ\200\235. He asked Agliotti about a  
\$1-million payment he believed had  
been made to Selebi.

â\200\234I denied this at that point in time. I told him I had used Selebiâ\200\231s name in order to get payment from the Kebbles,â\200\235 he said. â\200\234I knew [Selebi] would be upset and I didnâ\200\231t want [him] to know the amount of money I asked the Kebbles for.â\200\235

Agliotti said that he had paid Selebi â\200\234approximately R1-millionâ\200\235.

He will resume his testimony at 9.15am today.



Tighten  
the rules  
â\200\224 Sisulu

NKULULEKO NCANA

THE ANC has come out in support of National Assembly Speaker Max Sisuluâ\200\231s request for more powers to enable him to discipline MPs who breach parliamentary rules.

But the DA says the plan being mooted could result in the â\200\234criminalisationâ\200\235 of MPs who do their work by holding Cabinet ministers to account.

Sisulu wants the National Assembly rules committee to alter the current rules governing the ethical and behavioural conduct of MPs. .

This is after he learnt that he had no power to act against DA MP David Maynier, who is accused of publicly releasing confidential information relating to South Africaâ\200\231s arms trade with various countries.

In his letter to the defence portfolio committee â\200\224 whose members complained about Maynierâ\200\231s conduct â\200\224 Sisulu said no existing parliamentary rules had been contravened and, therefore, there was no basis on which action could be taken.

In the letter he suggested changes to the rules that would allow him to deal with similar matters in the future.

The ANC caucus yesterday backed Sisuluâ\200\231s proposal.

ANC caucus spokesman Molo- to Mothapo said: â\200\234We accept the Speakerâ\200\231s conclusion that the current rules governing MPsâ\200\231 ethical behaviour are limited and therefore provided no basis for Parliament to take any action against Maynier.â\200\235

He said rules to help Sisulu prevent MPs from â\200\234playing political footballâ\200\235 with sensitive information needed to be im-

plemented as soon as possible.

â\200\234We welcome and share the Speakerâ\200\231s view that the National Assembly rules committee must consider developing the necessary rules. This will ensure that South Africa does not descend into lawlessness where even MPs, our countryâ\200\231s lawmalkers, can play political football with sensitive information without due regard to the security of the country and its people,â\200\235 Mothapo said.

But DA MP Ian Davidson said:  
â\200\234The action taken by the Speaker could turn our constitutional democracy on its head.

â\200\234If parliamentarians do their job and hold the executive to account by asking hard questions, it appears they may now fall foul of the new rules of Parliament.â\200\235

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CARICATURES: Jonathan Shapiro with puppets of Nelson Mandela and Desmond Turtu, stars in ZA News Show'

Picture: SHELLEY CHRISTIANS

Cartoonist teams up with top creative minds for political satire series

LAUREN COHEN

ITâ\200\231S been more than 10 years in the making, and now the satirical news show starring South African politicians in puppet form has finally launched â\200\224 on the Internet. .

Julius Malema, Jacob Zuma and Helen Zille are just three of the high-profile politicians who will have fun poked at them in topical comedy skits on the ZA News Show, which is available on three different websites.

The latex puppets are caricatures of their real-life counterparts â\200\224 and somewhat more malleable.

The show, created by cartoonist Jonathan Shapiro and executive

producer Thierry Cassuto, was set to give South Africans some much-needed comic relief last year when it was due to air on SABC. However, despite a pilot which cost almost R1-million to produce, the public broadcaster decided against airing the politically incorrect show.

Shapiro told The Times he had not spoken to politicians about the show recently, but said Zille had been excited about the project when he told her about it before.

â\200\234Her puppet is one of the best. I'm loving the Arch. His puppet is one of the recent ones,â\200\235 said Shapiro of Archbishop Desmond Tutu.

â\200\234There is a strange interaction between the news, which is fasci-

nating, outrageous, silly and wonderful, and the elements which are woven into the way we produce the show.â\200\235

The award-winning cartoonist said he believed the show would make people give thought to the â\200\234real newsâ\200\235 happening behind the satire.

â\200\234It is similar to cartooning, but has more possibilities in certain ways,â\200\235 he said.

The first episode was shown to reporters at a launch in Cape Town yesterday. It opened with Tutu watching TV with Nelson Mandela and bemoaning the lack of quality viewing.

Malema, seen catching a flight with Zuma, was given a candy"

lollipop by an air hostess before

take-off, and asked why they couldnâ\200\231t â\200\234just take a photo for the media in economy classâ\200\235 before being upgraded to business.

Some of the countryâ\200\231s leading creative lights are involved with the project, including Sunday Times columnist Ben Trovato, Madam and Eve co-creator Stephen Francis, comedian Nik Rabinowitz, and voice-over artists Aggrey Lonake and Nikki Jackman.

The show, sponsored by kulula.com, will be hosted on Mail and Guardian Online and the kulula.com and ZAnews websites. Skits of three minutes will be available Tuesdays to Fridays, with a longer skit on Saturdays as a wrap of the weekâ\200\231s news.

ANC  
bigwigs  
visit  
Semenyas

NIKOSANA LEKOTJOLO

THE ANC rallied around Caster Semenya yesterday, with top party officials visiting her family in Limpopo and others wishing her well for exams.

The ruling party formed a team

this week to provide support for the athlete, who has been embroiled in a gender dispute since she won the 800m at the World Athletics Championships in Germany in August. Yesterday, ANC secretary-general Nkosana Mangashe,

protect MP Winnie Madikizela-Mandela, her ... Minister of Women, Youth and the

from Disabled Nolutshengeshe, Musina Mkhomo Mayende-Msibi, and Limpho

to Cape popo party leaders ' visited the Semenya family at their home

in Ga-Masehlong, outside Polokwane.

A separate delegation including Tshwane mayor Gwen Ramokgopa, ANC Youth League secretary-general Vuyiswa Tulelo and ANC Gauteng secretary Thabo Kupa visited Semenya at Tshwane University of Technology to wish her good luck for her exams.

Mangashe said: 'The ANC national executive committee took a decision that the easiest way ... of supporting the family will be to give material support.

'The other part of us supporting her is to mobilise society,' Mangashe told about 300 residents of Ga-Masehlong.

He said Semenya was a national asset that must be protected and

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RALLYING ROUND:MP Winnie Madikizela-Mandela, Minister of Women, Youth and the Disabled Nolutshando Mayende-Sibiya and athlete Caster Semenya's mother,

Dorcus, in Ga-Masehlong, outside Polokwane yesterday

defended at all costs.

"This issue [gender scandal] is not only an ANC issue, but a national issue. We must protect our own. We must protect her, because if we don't do that, Caster is going to be vulnerable and the family will absorb the pain. All [South African citizens] must protect her ... from Musina to Cape Town," Mantashe said.

Madikizela-Mandela said: "This province [Limpopo] has produced

champions and leaders like the late [youth leader] Peter Mokaba, [youth league president] Julius Malema, now Caster and [fellow athlete] Kgotso Mokoena."

Mantashe took the opportunity to slam Athletics South Africa for endorsing its disgraced president, Leonard Chuene, who has admitted that he lied about not being aware that gender tests were conducted on Semenya.

"We can't be happy that the ASA

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came out saying 100% Chuene's. ASA has the responsibility to protect our children when they take them to tournaments overseas. When you leave your child to an organisation, it must protect that child as if it is their own, not leave them [open] to abuse," he said. ANC spokesman Jackson Mthembu said the delegation had met Semenya in private. The athlete evaded media, but Mthembu said: "Our meeting was not nec-

Picture: ALON SKUY

essarily to discuss any detail but just to wish her well with her exams and, of course, we hope she will pass."

Political analyst Steven Friedman called the ANC's actions political grandstanding.

It would be appropriate for the government to take up this issue; it is unfortunate that the ANC has, Friedman said. Additional reporting Sally Evans and Livhuwani Mammburu

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A: Calls to charge those  
fingered in 2007 audit

THANDO MGAGA

MEMBERS of the provincial standing committee on public accounts (Scopa) have called for legal action to be taken against officials of the Agriculture Department who are fingered in a damning forensic report released in 2007.

The forensic investigation by accounting firm Ernst & Young implicates 15 departmental officials and recommended that they be disciplined for various offences, including mismanagement and financial irregularities.

It is recommended that the department makes financial recovery from seven service providers also fingered in the report.

Unauthorised over-expenditure in the 2006/2007 financial year, and the fact that 185 documents were not provided to the auditor-general because they had gone missing, contributed to



the department receiving a disclaimer audit opinion.

Opposition parties in the KwaZulu-Natal Legislature, the IFP and the DA, called for the implicated officials to be charged, either criminally or in terms of the Provincial Finance Management Act.

The IFP wrote to the Scopa chairman calling for the full forensic report.

Said committee member Alex Hamilton (IFP), "The report has been held back from us for three years.

"There are those (departmental officials) who are walking around free instead of being locked up."

DA caucus leader John Steenhuisen said that if there are criminal charges against the implicated officials they should be brought.

Speaking to The Witness, acting head of department Siddiq Adam said disciplinary hearings have been held and some implicated officials were issued final warnings.

He added that the department is in

the process of recovering money from some officials who were implicated by the report.

Financial irregularities in the department began in 2006 when it emerged that it had overspent its budget by more than R125 million and that more than R85,5 million had gone missing.

The then MEC, Gabriel Ndabandaba, was removed from his position as a result of corruption in the department.

His head of department, Jabulani Mjwara, resigned just a few days before the sitting of his disciplinary hearing relating to the over-expenditure.

Adam told the committee that the department is struggling to find the missing documents that outline how the money was spent.

In his report to the committee, Adam said that part of the R85,5 million in unauthorised expenditure was used for a failed mushroom and rice project that resulted from a visit to China by department officials.

The project, which cost R3,6 million, was launched without feasibility studies being conducted.

There was also a R17,2 million planting and ploughing project in the northern part of the province, R10,9 million spent on the Nongoma farm project (King Zwelithini's farms), which were targeted as flagship projects to encourage women and youth to farm.

According to Scopa resolutions, the report on over-expenditure was not made available then to the relevant officials in the department for action to be taken against people implicated in the alleged irregularities, negligence and mismanagement.

The committee yesterday authorised R5.6 million of the R85,5 million over-expenditure on swine fever, which broke out during the 2005/06 financial year. :

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## MUNICIPAL CHALLENGES

=W stories yesterday highlighted challenges

Â¢ facing the Msunduzi Municipality. One was the inadequacy of the sewerage system in the city centre, as shown by conditions in Berg Street, where blockages often cause the system to overflow into residential gardens, creating a health hazard. In this area, small houses are let out to as many as 15 tenants each by landlords (slumlords?) who are extending the properties to accommodate even more tenants. The sewerage system cannot cope and an aggrieved resident says she's weary of reporting this, because no one ever comes to investigate. In this case, the municipality is falling short on two fronts. First, by allowing the contravention of by-laws against overcrowding residential properties for profit, and second, by failing to monitor, maintain and upgrade the sewerage system as increased population density demands.

The second story concerns the historic Alexandra Park bandstand, unique in South Africa, damaged during a freak storm in January. The municipality left the debris lying for months but luckily the valuable ironwork was rescued by architects before it could be stolen. Parks and Recreation director Steven Naick blames heritage organisation Amafa for the delay in restoration, while Amafa says the municipality doesn't need its permission to go ahead. Reliable sources say that the file has been gathering dust in the office of chief financial officer Roy Bridgman.

All this foot-dragging shows a lack of understanding of the importance of the bandstand, situated next to the Oval cricket ground and the equally historic Pavilion, which was always one of Pietermaritzburg's most notable tourist attractions.

No one would deny that there are enormous challenges facing the municipality, and that to meet all of them equally is almost impossible. But, surely, it is essential to prioritise, and to put at the head of the queue, matters affecting public health and the economic wellbeing of the city. The tardiness, the paralysis or lack of will exhibited in both of these instances, is unacceptable.

PARLIAMENT " The National Planning Commission will not be "the gatekeeper of policy" and nor will it take over the setting of budgets, Minister Trevor Manuel told Parliament yesterday.

Manuel, who is reported to be at the centre of a bitter fight between cabinet members and trade unions over control of the South Africa's economy, said his ministry's task is to create "a coherent vision" on the outcomes of policies.

"We think that we shouldn't be the gatekeepers on policy," Manuel told the ad hoc committee on the greenpa-

per on national strategic planning.

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"We shouldn't intersect between departments and Parliament, for instance."

Manuel said a single budgeting process is needed and is not something his ministry wishes to become involved with.

"You need a single budgeting process that probably is best located still within the National Treasury headed by the minister of finance. It is not something we desire to get involved with."

Manuel said the national departments are "better able" to do micro and sector planning, while municipalities will still do special develop-

ment plans.

"It is about a coherent vision, about the outcomes of which policies will be detailed and programmes implemented," Manuel said.

The development of macro-economic policy is the responsibility of the Treasury, headed by Finance Minister Pravin Gordhan.

President Jacob Zuma, however, is widely reported to be under pressure from the Congress of SA Trade Unions (Cosatu) to hand over power to Economic Policy Minister Ebrahim Patel.

Cosatu has reportedly blamed Manuel for leading the marginalisa-

tion of Patel and it wants his conserva-

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tive policy powers curbed.

Manuel said his ministry is driven by the desire to improve the quality of life of South Africans.

â\200\234We donâ\200\231t have the capability or the intent to get into the nitty-gritty, but al a national level we must be able to see where there is a failure to sequence decisions properly within departments or spheres of government where you have unco-ordinated or contrarian approaches,â\200\235 he said.

Vast townships of houses have been rolled out without any soul, Manuel said.

One of the tasks of the governmentâ\200\231s planning is to â\200\234facilitate the development of communitiesâ\200\235.

â\200\234There are no places for people to play and pray and clearly very little basis for constructing communities. How do you go back there? " he asked, saying the government has not engaged properly as a society with apartheid space.

â\200\234We as policy makers need to distinguish between provision of housing and facilitating the development of communities.

â\200\234What kind of society do we desire and how do we get there, because the dimensions of race and class which shaped apartheid are still very evident in society.â\200\235 â\200\224 Sapa.

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ongathandi ukuggoka noma

macala ayitulo elakhiwe  
ngababengabaholi  
bezokushushisa, okubalwa  
kubo nowayeyiNhloko  
yabashushisi uMnuz Bulelani  
Ngcuka. Usabise ngokuthi  
baningi amahlazo  
asazophwma.

Ngesikhathi selkhefu  
uSelebi ukhale ngokugina  
kwamabhentshi enkantolo



wathi uzozilethela ikhushini  
lakhe azohlala kulo uma  
sekuyithuba lokuphekwa  
ngemibuzo.

USelebi, obebonakala  
ekhathele, ubephendula  
izintatheli ngesikhathi sesidlo  
sasemini kanti akazange  
aphume kakhulu njengoba  
ethe akanayo â\200\234imvilophuâ\200\235  
yokuthenga ukudla.

â\200\234Anginayo imvilophu  
yokuthenga isidlo sasemini.  
Lamabhentshi aginile.  
Ngibona ukuthi ngizoletha  
ikhushini uma sengiphekwa  
ngemibuzo,â\200\235 kusho uSelebi.

USelebi obegqoke isudi  
kanokusho nehembe  
eliluhlaza elihambisana  
nothayi ofana nalo, ubebuye  
abonakale ezihlekela. -  
Intatheli veSolezwe

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wophiko Iwentsha  
lamaXhomanisi,  
iYoung Communist League  
(uFasimba), uBuii Manamela,  
usetshela abaholi  
bezinhlangothi zenisha  
ukuthi abaye kofunda ukuze  
babe yisibonelo esihle  
entsheni.

UManamela uthe  
awukwazi ukuthi ungalokhu  
ufundekela intsha nabafundi  
ukuthi abafunde ukuze  
bathole iziqu bayosebenza  
ekubeni ungafundi.

â\200\234Avwukwaz ukuthi  
ungatshela wumuntu into  
ethile ekubeni wena  
ungafundi. Asibe yizibonelo  
kubafundi ukuze babonele  
kuthina ukuthi imfundo  
ibalulekile ukuze nabo  
bagqogquzeleke,â\200\235 kusho  
uManamela.

Ukusho lokhu izolo  
ngesikhathi ekhuluma  
nabafundi baseNyuvesi  
yaKwaZulu-Natal, ophikweni  
IwaseHoward College,  
njengoba namhlanje  
nakusasa kuzokhethwa  
umkhandlu-omusha  
wabafundi.

Ebuzwa ukuthi njengoba  
esho kanje yena kukhona yini  
lapho efunda khona, uthe  
kukhona lapho efunda khona  
kodwa wangafuna ukunaba  
nokudalula ukuthi  
ufunda kusiphi isikhungo  
semfundo.

Unxuse i-ANC ukuthi  
kufanele uhlaka oluxhasa  
abafundi ngezimali, iNational

| Studentsâ\200\231 Financial Aid

Scheme, Iuxhase abafundi  
ngokuphelele ngezimali.

ABAFUND! base-UKZN, eHoward College, ngesikhathi kubambeke uNobhala Jikelele we-YCL uBhuii  
Manamela,  
lapho ebeyonxenga khona abafundi ukuthi mabavotele iSasco ukuze bakwazi ukuthola imfundo en  
gcono

â\200\234Akufanele lolu hlaka  
luhlinzeke kuphela ngemali  
yendawo yokuhlala  
neyezincwadi kodwa kufanele  
lumxhase ngokuphelele  
umfundi. Sifuna futhi igembu  
elibusayo libuyise imifundaze  
yabafundi, ikakhulu i-Albert  
Luthuli Bursary, ukuze  
kuxhaswe abafundi  
abahlwempu njengoba  
kumanje kukhona i-Jacob  
Zuma Education Trust exhasa  
abafundi. Nabaholi  
abazokhethwa akufanele  
bakhe bangabi besaphuma  
ukuyofuna umsebenzi kodwa  
abafunde baphume  
bayosebenza,â\200\235 usho Kanje.

Ubuye wathi akufanele

uKhongolose usabe ukugasha  
abantu abadlalelana nayo  
ezikhundleni ezithile ngoba  
namanye amagembu afana  
ne-DA ayakwenza lokho  
eWestern Cape.

â\200\234Akugashwe abantu  
abangabafundi abasuka kwi-  
Sasco, ANCYL, YCL nezinye  
izinhlangano ezidlelana  
noKhongolose ngoba  
uHelen Zille ukwenzile naye  
eWestern Cape. Asingasabi  
ukuthi kuzothiwa kugashwe  
abantu ngokobugembu  
kodwa uma kukhona nalabo  
okubonakalayo ukuthi  
bangawenza umsebenzi kahle  
nabo bangagashwa,â\200\235  
kuphetha ulVianamela.

Isithombe: ENOS MHLONGO

UNOBHALA Jikelele we-YCL, uBhuti  
Manamelz, uthi kumele kwakhiwe  
imifundaze eyanele kubafundi  
abasezikhungweni zemfundo  
ephakeme ukuze bakwazi  
ukusizakala ngoxhaso iwezimali  
Isithombe: ENOS MHLONGO