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Dubious
symbols

HE ANC is inviting two famous

personalities from Africaâ\200\231s free-
dom struggle â\200\224 former Tanzani-
an President Julius Nyerere and
long-standing Zambian President
Kenneth Kaunda â\200\224 to its first con-
gress in South Africa in more than
three decades, but it must be careful
what its choice of guests serves to
symbolise.

We imagine the front-row seats for

Dr Nyerere and Dr Kaunda at the
Durban congress in July are intend-
ed to demonstrate that Africa is giv-
ing its blessing to the ANC as the
organisation truly representing the
South African nation. While that
would be exaggerating the ANCâ\200\231s
place on the national political scene,
it would be an understandable self-
flattery.

More tellingly, the willingness of
Africaâ\200\231s liberation heroes from the
decolonisation era of the 1960s to as-
sociate openly with the ANC does
suggest the ANC has the backing of
influential allies in Africa who can
greatly ease South Africaâ\200\231s way back
into the continentâ\200\231s good books.
Such friendships are valuable when
it is considered that even former Na-
tionalist Prime Minister John
Vorster acknowledged South Africaâ\200\231s

way back to acceptance by the world !

lay through Africa.

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But Dr Nyerere and Dr Kaunda

also symbolise far less desirable or creditable values and examples in the field of government â\200\224 examples we hope the ANC will not be representing if it ever gets to power. Those leaders represent two of the most blameworthy failures of post-colonial society. Through plain mismanagement and authoritarian inefficiency, they led their countries to the edge of ruin. The Nyerere experiment in African socialism is a classic example of how to run a country down to zero. The Kaunda example is one of charisma failing to compensate for tyrannical misuse of power. For South Africa, for the ANC, the

Mercury Reporter

ALMOST 2 000 people attended a May Day rally, planned by the Congress,

can Trade Union ;
Fountain Innions at Curries day.

A spokesman for the world
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â\202\231 Organisation for Socialists]

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â» Commit ourselves again
bosses and agents, S2IASt our
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ofâ\200\230 t;};elcapitalist system
S the workers who

produce the wealth in society;;
â\200\224 yet the bosses steal the
profits of our labour. We see
them driving home in their
big cars to their fine houses

- With swimming pools.

'We produced that

after camps
on they even have houses.

Nyerere/Kaunda road is not the way

Durban yesterday- 4

â\200\230It is because:of this thav
we, the workers; must have a
special place in society. We
are the only ones who under-
stand the conditions of our
struggle, and that is why we

"~ must be fully in control.

â\200\230There is -only one answer
that can satisfy our needs â\200\224
democratic socialism. Only a
system which allows us to de-
cide what is produced and
how it is produced, and how
the wealth of society is dis- -
tributed, can solve the prob-
lems and suffering caused by
capitalism.

â\200\230Today our struggle is for
houses to live in, for health
care when we are sick, for
education for our children
and land for our farmers.

â\200\234These are not things which |
will be freely given to us. We
will have to fight for them,
and in the end we will have to
take them.

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Inkatha to form

regional

Business Editor

LOCAL business has had seve:
_ ral meetings with the ANC and

the Inkatha Freedom Party and

ndent group to assess the
needs of the region and make
representations to the authori-

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While the boundaries of the
region still have to be deï\201lled, it
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tures. did not reffect a fair rep-

resentation of the people in the
region.

Representing businessmen at

these meetings is the recently
_ formed _ Pietermaritz;nrz

* Region Business Forum which
~ consists of the local chambers of
. commerce and

industries, Die

Afrikaanse Sakekamer,

is in the process of forming anâ\200\231

group

Natal Agricultural Union an

the Business and Professional

People's Organisation.

The new group is not exclusive and will invite other organisations to (i) when necessary.

During the meetings already consensus was that a solution to violence

was vital;

group the region to the upliftment of all people there.

attend meetings.

KwaZulu Natal has plans for a lagoon

Witness reporter THE KWAZULU Bureau of Natural Resources (KBNR) plans 2 tourist

development at the Ama-

tikulu Lagoon on the Zululand coast, and is opening for private sec-

tor involvement.

The lagoon, into which flow the Nyoni and Ama-tikulu rivers, is one of the last remaining unpolluted and undamaged estuaries on the Natal coast, and features pristine indigenous forests and an abundance of wildlife.

The KBNR intends to

develop a 90-site caravan

and camp facility, and possibly a 12-bed chalet complex there, in what would be the second cooperative venture between the KBNR and private enterprise.

«One of the strongest motivations supporting

this project is the la-
goonâ\200\231s accessibilty to the
Durban. motorist. It's
near the Eshowe/Em-
pangeni axis and the new
highway will make this a
very feasible trip for

s from the Dur-
ban region,â\200\235 said Nick
Steele, director of the

KBNR.
Enquiries are invited
from parties interested

in discussi the devel-
opment, and should be
addressed. to the chief
nature conservator, Pri-

vate Bag X20, Ulundi,

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Inkatha Freedom Party

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Buthelezl has launched a

. seorching â\200\230attack on the ANC,
dismissing ANC allegations

of Inkatha plans to assassinate
ANC, leaders before May
Â¢ as vague and groundless.

" In an emotionally worded .

address to the KwaZulu Leg-
istatlve Assembly yesterday,

ANC deputy president Nel-
gon Mandala of having logt
coniol over the militarists
within tho ANC leadership.

Attacks

He said the IFP was not
â\200\234ghivering and-shakingâ\200\235
about the ANC's threat to
apull out of negotiations.

Chlef Buthelezl spoke of
an angry Aprll 18 telephono
conversation between hima
self and BMr Mandela on ru-

Buthelezi blasts AN

moured lnkathâ\200\230a attacks on

ANC supporters,

Chief Buthelezl sald: 1
ressed Dr Mandela for de-

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talls about tho information

-on which he acts when he.

telephoned me in the middle
of the night telling me that
the poor ANC is going to be
attacked, . T .

He could give no details
and when I expressed scepticism,
he petulantly says that
he 'notes my attitude'.

* "None of these allegations

of planned Inkatha attacks
had ever been raised at the
joint ANC/Inkatha peace
committees.)
Chief Buthelez! said that if
* he were to respond to injure
: mation or near-information
or misinformation about
planned ANC attacks on his
supporters, he would have no
time for anything else. "

He said the ANC had
either not translated its mili-
tary idiom into a democratic
idiom or remained commit-

Chief Buthelezi also accused,

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The Star Tuesday April 30 1990, 1, : 7

and Mandela

ted to making South Africa
ungovernable,

They are stalling on pre-

text after pretext, They are
stalling because they are not
ready to negotiate,

Al} this cluster, all this
thumping the negotiating
desk and all this crying woe
is simply symptomatic of Dr
Mandela and those who sup-
port his leadership in the

ANC frantically trying to
out-Hani Hani {Chris Hani s
the militant Umkhonto we

Sizwe chief of staff) and
cluck and scratch and cackle
like cocks trying to give evi-
dence of being at the top of
the pecking order."

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Mandela, I must say to you
that your organisation in
now go floundering and so
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heap of people crying woe,

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that South Africa does not
know if the ANC's leader-
ship is Arthur or Martha.
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tragic, Dr Mandela, the mar-
tyr and the hero and the man

who all love, so tired down by

the thousands of ANC Gul-
lible lines that he can only
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peace? Let your leader %
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by HEIDI GIBSON

PEOPLE who were .forcibly removed
from Charlestown in the 1960s and 70s
have vowed to return to their ancestral
land and â\200\234face possible deathâ\200\235 if a
meeting set for Monday between Natal
MEC Val Volker and the community
fails to resolve the issue.

Yesterday morning approxximately
150 people, headed by the Bambisanani
Bathengi Charlestown committee, at-
tempted to return to the original sites of
their homes in the Clavxs area of Char-
lestown.

They were met by members of the SA
Police force. and were herded off the

â\200\230land RTINS

< "Following" negotlatlons with * the
police, a memorandum drafted by the
committee was read to the community.
It contined the demand that the Clavis
area be returned to the orginal owners
and an appeal to the Government to
;;sl;ow smcerlty in repealing the Land

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A request by the community to have a- :
meal and {0 revisit the graves of WM ntjies said the police 1 were there â\200\234to.:
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il E}glgwenten'mmutes to disperse.

â\200\234If we did not leave we would have
been beaten with sticks and shot,â\200\235 said
committee momber Ephrailn Zwane.

Zwane was arrested during the mcldent
and later released..

â\200\234If there is no solution at the meeting
on May 6 we will take this back to the
community and decide on another date -,
when we will return. ot

â\200\234We donâ\200\231t mind if we are killed if we are near the graves of our grand-fathers,â\200\235 hesaid. =~ i

Yesterday s attempt to return to the area follows numerous efforts to meet with NPA officials before the cut-off date.

An Association for Rural Advance- i ment (Afra) spokesman, Richard Clacey, said: â\200\234As events (yesterday) indicated, people are determined to returnâ\200\231 to their land because they believe their demand for restoration is a just claim.â\200\235

â\200\234We believe that the Government must urgently address this issue. It must establish a commission to investigate it and to begin processing land restoration as a matter of urgency. Any land dispensation which fails to address land restoration will fall â\200\230to win legitimacy, Clacey-said:

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intain law and orderâ\200\235.â\200\235

- â\200\234We canâ\200\231t allow people to: trespass

â\200\230and to squat where they want. They

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Weekend funeral for ANC chairman Majola and wife

by Nomusa Cembi balaclavas opened fire. A memorial service was held at A MASS funeral for four prominent Half of the workforce at Mooi River Bruntville sports grounds yesterday. Bruntville ANC members including ANC Textiles where Majola was employed as a 'wo Bruntville pupils were shot at by branch chairman Derrick Majola and his operator did not turn up for work the day unknown men who walked into the standard wife Mavis is to take place on Saturday. after the killings. 8 class on Monday morning and asked which The Majolas were shot by unknown He served on the Bruntville Council until pupils had fire arms. None of the pupils people on Wednesday night at his house and it was disbanded in the beginning of last responded. died instantly. s, Yyear and also served in the Bruntville Civic Lt Henry Budhram said the teacher fled Their four-year-old daughter Association as chairman. to the principal's office. When she returned Nonkululeko has been discharged from The other two members of the ANC who she found that two of the pupils had been hospital. She had been shot in the left were also killed were pupils at Estcourt shot and the attackers had fled. shoulder. high school lodging at Sobabili location. Mduduzi Mchunu and Monise Mncalise According to people who were in the Nhlanhla Miya and Fanyana Khanyile were were both taken to Estcourt hospital where house at the time of the attack, men wearing shot and killed on Thursday night the condition was described as serious.

WITNESS

Chief Buthelezi launches

scathing attack on the ANC

by Lakela Kaunda
INKATHA president
Mangosuthu Buthelezi
this week launched a
scathing attack on the
African National Congress who had accused
his youth brigade of
preparing for an
onslaught on ANC leaders on the Reef.

ANC secretary general Alfred Nzo told
journalists on Sunday
that they had information that an operation
to kill leaders of the
ANC would begin from

April 30 to May 9, the -

deadline the ANC gave
the government to end
violence.

Nzo alleged that assassins - had been
trained at bases run by
members of the
counter-insurgency
unit Koevoet, the 101
Battalion and the
arms of the South

African Defence Force.

He said Inkatha Youth' Brigade operatives had been deployed in Reef townships to carry out the

killings. He added that

the hostels were di-

vided into regiments,

with trained IFP Brigade members allocated to various hostels to keep control and lead attacks.

Buthelezi announced that he had received information that the ANC wanted to kidnap and kill two of his children. :

At the KwaZulu Legislative Assembly

in Ulundi, Buthelezi

also said he had infor-

mation that the ANC

branch in Natal had a hit list containing the names of prominent IFP officials, including

its national chairman Frank Mdlalose.

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. He said the ANC was so floundering and so

falling over each other in some kind of tumbled up heap of people crying wolf, that

South Africa does not |

know whether the ANC's leadership is Arthur or Martha.

Mothers, children and elderly men from Ndaleni and Magoda continued to pour into Richmond seeking refuge late last week as fighting still continued between Inkatha supporters from Ndaleni

- and ANC supporters from

Magoda. Hundreds of refugees were living in the municipal gardens behind the town hall. Sanitation is poor and facilities are stretched to the limit resulting in a stench of human excrement that could present a health hazard. Although - conditions might be unhealthy, most residents interviewed said they

* preferred to live in safe

squalor rather than to

return to their homes.

PIC: Nash Narrandes

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Dozens die in weekend violence

JOHANNESBURG â\200\224
Weekend violence on the
Witwatersrand and in
Natal claimed the lives

of at least 48 people, with

close on 200 wounded,
authorities confirmed on
Monday.

At least 41 people died

and at least 176 were in-

jured on the Witwaters-
rand, after
broke out in Alexandra
on Friday and spilled
over to Soweto on Sun-
day afternoon.

The violence comes in

the wake of ANC claims
of covert Inkatha Free-

dom Party and SA De-
fence Force plans to
assassinate ANC leaders
and attack communities
on the Witwatersrand.

While the SADF has
denied the allegations,

the IFP on Monday de-

plored the outbreak of
violence on the Reef,
adding it rejected â\200\234any
form of violenceâ\200\235.

â\200\234It is not our policy to
achieve our goals
through violence,â\200\235 said
the IFP, adding the party
stood for ~ peaceful

change and believed in :

the process of negotia-
tions.

" The official death toll

in Alexandra, the scene of what police described as isolated attacks by a group of unidentified assailants, on Monday afternoon stood at 19 with the possibility more bodies would be found. A total of 125 people were treated for hack, stab or-gunshot wounds.

Police said most dead were Zulus. The IFP said many of them had been

~vacated on

.clashes

Inkatha members or sup-

â\200\234porters.

Though police stressed there was no evidence of an Inkatha group in the township, Alexandra schools were Monday morning - following rumours of an impending

- Inkatha attack. violence

Children, who mjured themselves after jumping out of school windows following alleged at a nearby squatter camp, were treated for shock and minor injuries, according Alexandra Health Clinic spokesman Yvonne Lesakane. :

A large crowd of women and children had sought refuge at the clinic on Monday morning, but most returned to their homes in the afternoon, she said. She said

most injured had been

admitted by 7.30am.

Police said shots were fired from the local hos-

tel on Monday morning, and at a Sandton traffic department vehicle.

- Teargas was used to disperse up to 60 people who had gathered at the Alexandra stadium, according to police spokesman Col Jacques de Vries.

Meanwhile, the Moderator of the Dutch Reformed Church in Africa, the Reverend S.P. Buti, has urgently appealed to

the ANC's Nelson Man-

dela and IFP president Mangosuthu Buthelezi to

call on their followers to .

restore peace in Alexandra. Buti is a minister in the township.

Police walk away from the body of a Soweto resident killed on Saturday by supporters of the Inkatha Freedom Party after the funeral of assassinated mayor Moses Khumalo, an Inkatha

He said he had made a personal plea to law and order minister Adriaan Vlok, demanding immediate and effective police action. g

If this situation prevails the community of Alexandra will have to

work out a defence me-

chanism of a non-violent nature to restore peace.

Meanwhile, he advised

families whose lives were threatened to leave the township and to find refuge in white neighbouring suburbs.

He called on all resi-

dents to remain calm and

to refrain from acts of violence.

In Soweto on Sunday, 22 people were slaughtered and at least four wounded in the aftermath of the funeral of Inkatha leader and Diepsmeadow mayor Moses Khumalo.

In other incidents of unrest, police on Sunday said a man was found shot dead at Maxontyo, Table Mountain. :

On Saturday, police reported six people killed, three shot dead, and

ing a policeman.

The SA Police unrest

report said gunmen shot and killed two men in

of a man with
- wounds in Greytown and
- another with hack and

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Mountain Rise at Greytown. ~ :

Police said fighting broke out between two unidentified groups at a bus stop at Verulam. A man was stabbed to death with a sharp object and two men slightly injured in the clash.

Police found the body stab

'stab wounds at Gama-

seven wounded, mcludâ\200\224w lakhemPortBhepsme.

Gunmen opened i-\201re

on a police foot patrol at |

Mpumuza in Pieter- |
maritzburg, injuring two

â\200\230policemen. â\200\224Sapa

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claims, say police

; by Lakela Kaunda
POLICE say initial investigations have revealed no
evidence to substantiate the claims of Sipho Madlala,

the self-confessed assassin of Chief Mhlabunzima Ma- ! was interviewed by
phumulo. ~{ police on March 6.

In another turn in the investigations, Maphumu- â\200\234He alleged that he
loâ\200\231s brother-in-law Fano Zuma said he was shot at by was in possession of
white men in a blue Skyline on Friday night. Zuma valuable information.
had been taken by police for questioning outside the He was then requested to
ANC offices and was released at 11pm. . back his claim with sub-

Zuma said the police â\200\224 who held him at gunpoint stantive evidence and to
at some stage â\200\224 wanted him to implicate Maphumulo report back. He was how-
in a â\200\234gun-smuggling ringâ\200\235. On his way home he was ever not heard of again
followed by a white minibus and a blue Skyline, and until his so-called reve-
shots were fired at him from the Skyline. lation to The Natal Wit-

The SAP said at the time during which Zuma ness.â\200\235
claims he was held at gunpoint, he was in fact, for a City Press had reported
while, also questioned by three independent lawyers that Madlala had phoned
in connection with Madlalaâ\200\231s claims. They said Zuma Echo to say he wanted to
left the building with the undertaking to return on discuss what he knew
Monday but failed to keep this appointment. about the murder.

In his confession last week, Madlala said he was ~ Madlala told journal-
part of a hit squad that killed Chief Mhlabunzima Ma- ists that he had been

_phumulo of Magongqo in February this year. called by police to ex-

Police could not be reached yesterday morning . plain the City Press story.
to confirm whether or not they had questioned the * â\200\234I told them I did not
prominent Alexandra Road and Halfway House â\200\230phone anybody,â\200\235 he said.

. policemen implicated by Madlala in his confession. He said they let him

Madlala told Echo last week that he and four go, but after that he
other men had acted on the instructions of the mili- feared they might â\200\234eli-
minary police and local members of the security branch, nateâ\200\235 him as he was be-
and they were paid R 5000 each after the killing. ginning to â\200\234sell them

Madlala said he had been wanted for another outâ\200\235.
operation last Thursday but did not go, having tele-- This week police said
phoned the police at Halfway House to say he would Madlala was an informer
be delayed. He had already confessed his involve- and had supplied infor-
ment to Echo then and feared the police knew as he mation to them for five
believed he was under surveillance. years. Madlala con-

He said he was not told what the operation was, - firmed last week he had
but he feared the target might be Alfred Ndlovu of Co- been informing for 10
satu as there had been whispers about his name. y years. At first he worked

Last Friday police put together a special team to part time while he was
investigate the allegations. still at school. He be-

In a statement released on Tuesday, police said came permanent in 1982.
they were anxious to question Madlala. â\200\234In spite of
appeals to reveal his whereabouts to the police he

has not yet been located. Initial investigations however have revealed no evidence to substantiate Mr

- Madlala's claims. ; :

Police spokesman Major Pieter Kitching said fol-

" lowing a report in City Press on March 3, 1991, Madlala

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THOMAS SOWELL '

Meo 2, 1992 e

Carrying a dangÃ©rousÂ» load

ew leaders in history have makingup the African National Con- its during the quarter-cent
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had to carry a heavier bur- gress and at the same time enter imprisonment, has all too cle
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and few have had the fate of ment to begin restructuring all the his release. Her years o
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ess power within

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through dangerous times. Any of these trials would have rica reached a climax with her con-
After more than a quarter- been more than enough for one viction for involvement in the sei
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- century of imprisonment in South manâ\200\231s lifetime, but now Nelson Man- ing and br
utal beating of a group of

Africa for his fight against apart- dela has also had to facethebreakup black teen-agers,
one of whom died.

heid, Mr. Mandela suddenly found of his marriage, less than two years Despite the aura of
sainthood sur-

himself thrust into the middle of a after he emerged from prison. rounding Winnie Mandela
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sume leadership of the factions as the only leader with any hope of Third World countries
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succeeding in doing what has yet to oppressed turned oppressor, with

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Thomas Sowell, an economist continent â\200\224 produce a democratic, whelming all sense of
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and a senior fellow at the Hoover multiracial society. cency. Her biographer Emma Gil-

Institution, is a nationally syndi-" Winnie Mandela, whatever her bey reports that W: inni
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cated columnist. rolein sustaining her husbandâ\200\231s spir- flaunted her affair with a
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younger man, drank heavily, and be-

came a growing embarrassment to

the ANC, as well as to her husband.

The ordeals imposed on Winnie

Mandela by history, and more specifically by the savage policies of the apartheid governments, might be at least a partial exculpation if the issue were simply one of personal blame. But the issue is much bigger than that.

All across the continent of Africa and much of Asia, the collapse of colonial regimes during the second half of this century has time and again set the stage for barbaric dictatorships that have eclipsed the worst deeds of the imperialists, and have often let the economy collapse as well.

This is the specter with which the white extremists in South Africa have haunted themselves and the white population at large. Everyone knows the cynical line about post-independence Africa: One man one vote one time. The continent is littered with the wreckage of short-lived democracies. And

What Nelson Mandela seems to be trying to do is to break that pattern, to help shape a multiracial state that will not simply change the colors of the brutalizers and the victims. This seems even more clearly the goal of his principal political ri-

val, Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, head of the more politically moderate Inkhatha Freedom Party. Yet members of Mr. Mandela's ANC and members of Chief Buthelezi's Inkhatha have been literally slaughtering each other in the streets.

If they cannot control their own followers, how can they control a whole nation? And this is no ordinary nation. It is one in which neither the blacks nor the whites are united. Each has deep internal divisions that are both ethnic and political, and both have private paramilitary forces.

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A LARGE deployment of police failed to prevent at least 26 people being killed on - the Reef on Workers' Day yesterday,

- Police said at least 17 people died in spontaneous clashes between Inkathans and -ANC supporters in Soweto, with Hix people were gunned down in Katlehong when a

group of men went on a shooting spree outside Natalspruit Hospital, in - Police separated two warring factions with tear smoke in Soweto's Diepkloof late last night.

A resident alleged Inkatha members - launched an attack from the Diepkloof hostel at 8.30pm. Police spokesman Col Jae do

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Vites said it was difficult â\200\234to imagine" who " â\200\234left, more than 20 dead on Sunday.

was attacking whom". .
who said hostel dwellers had vehicles passing on the nearby road,

Shots were fired from an AK-47 rifle, which was subsequently confiscated. It was unclear whether the person was arrested,

De Vries said it was a â\200\234miracleâ\200\235 so few people were killed yesterday, given the potential for violence at May Day rallies,

Soweto police spokesman Capt Joseph Ngobenl -said â\200\234hundreds of extra police-

" were hacked or shot and a seventh

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Of those killed in Soweto yesterday{. sl::
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" â\200\234alive at the new Dobsonville hostel.

De Vries said a policoman had beci .
suspended after ko shol dead two people Inâ\200\231

;i crowd returning from an Inkatha rally at

Johanneshurg's George Goeir Stadium,

Sapa reports thal two men were killed
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A long way to go,

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out all political prisoners having been released. Another looms next week, with the ANC threatening to break off the negotiating process. Government and the ANC trade insults verging on accusations of bad faith, while the violence they are supposed to be addressing threatens to destroy the prospect of a reasonable negotiated political settlement. Things are not as bad as they seem, but it is time to take stock. ;

The first thing to recognize as convicted ANC fighter Susan Westcott did after her release this week, is that South Africa has changed

Our deadline has passed, with-

irrevocably. She and thousands of .

her comrades, released from prison or back from exile, were free to go to the Johannesburg City Hall where Nelson Mandela could accuse government of not honoring its obligations to the ANC. It is not a South Africa either Westcott or Mandela would have imagined 15 months ago.

We have moved so fast that we tend to forget how far we have come. It is not just that the ANC, the PAC and the SA Communist Party are free to operate. They have become an accepted part of the political establishment, negotiating regularly with government, stating demands, issuing ultimatums and behaving as politicians do. Their leaders and spokesmen write articles for newspapers, feature in television debates and make news

headlines,

Purged

The state of emergency is history, as are the blanket bans on public meetings, marches and demonstrations. The legal basis of apartheid, the Population Registration Act, is being repealed. The Group Areas Act and the Land Acts will go next month, as will every discriminatory provision in the statute book. A South Africa purged of all racist laws was unimaginable 15 months ago.

Last year President de Klerk set

aside R2bn for social upliftment projects. To this he has now added

further R1bn from the sale of strategic

stockpiles such as oil, with another R1bn probable from the "proceeds. In addition there is 3 new

funds to assist the victims of violence,

It is a lot of money in an economy hit by depression, still partly shackled by sanctions and while violence deters local and foreign investors. The commitment of billions to the poor and the disadvantaged is one of many leaps of faith we have seen since February last year.

Progress

The perceptive and the prescient observed 15 months ago that the road to the new South Africa would be a rocky one. Some rocks were put there last August, when April 30 was identified as the final date for the release of political prisoners. Not all are free, and there is dispute about the number remaining. Yet nearly 1000 have left jail, many convicted of serious crimes, and another 4 500 people have received indemnity. There has been much progress. :

Other rocks were strewn by the ANC itself, such as the May 9 deadline to dismiss Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok and Defence Minister Magnus Malan. Negotiations may well be broken off next week, not so much because these two gentlemen remain in office, but

because the ANC declares government has not done enough to address

dress the violence. The ANC, itself

- caught up in the speed at which

events have moved, and acensed by
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needs time to rexssess its position.

There may well be a hiatus notl its -

July conference but negotiations
will resume; for government and
the ANC, there is no other way.
The violence will not go away
that easily, despite commissions,
surmits and appeals for restraint.

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either boyeotting schools or wn-
educated and unemployable, politi-
cal scores are being settled amid
the lawlessness. The economy will
eventnally revive, sanctions will go,
jobs will be created and the money
spent on socizl npliftment will start
to have an effect on incomes and
living standards.

There are other rocks, as yet m-
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the road ahead, it is as well to look
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ANC pledges to work for peace

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PRESIDENT F W de Klerk and Inkatha president Mangosuthu Buthelezi met last night in what was believed to be an effort to resolve the one outstanding issue concerning traditional weapons that would satisfy the ANC's ultimatum and put negotiations back on track.

Last night's meeting in Cape Town followed several days of talks between government and ANC officials during which ANC members indicated that if an entente was reached on the ANC's demand that government outlaw traditional weapons and other issues, the ANC would not act on its threat to pull out of negotiations.

Shortly after the start of the meeting between De Klerk and Buthelezi, the Cosatu/ANC/SACP alliance released an apparently conciliatory statement, promising to work for peace. :

The statement solemnly pledged that alliance members would do all in their power to achieve peace. It called on South Africans to forge an overwhelming national consensus for peace

a climate of political tolerance.

The pledge also restated several of the demands in the ANC's ultimatum, saying individuals must not be allowed to carry traditional or other weapons in public, that security forces should employ acceptable methods of crowd control, and that single sex hostels should be phased out.

These three issues were being focused on

by the ANC in its negotiations with government,

De Klerk is believed to have satisfied

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one demand by announcing that funds had been budgeted for hostels conversion and upgrading. â\200\230 >

It is also believed that the demand that security forces should use â\200\234civilised methodsâ\200\235 can be achieved.

Yesterday ANC deputy president Nelson Mandela would not comment on the state of negotiations ahead of tomorrowâ\200\231s deadline, but said he was confident any impasse could be averted.

He would not comment on a possible meeting with De Klerk today, but did not rule out such a meeting.

ANC sources gointedâ\200\230 out that the organisation was flexible on the ultimatum from the outset and it would probably not risk the deadlock that would arise if it continued to demand the resignation of Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok and Defence e e

reports that senior ANC member Joel Netshitenzhe said yesterday the ANC would withdraw from ht:gouatlom and the all- 3 lÃ«ztn- gress tomorrow unless significant - minute action was taken. Netshitenzhe told an Idasa breakfast the national violence and not the ANC'â\200\231s ulti-

' matum had precipitated the current crisis.

However, Netshitenzhe said the ANC would not hold government to the full letter of its demands and indicated that a meaningful indication of intent to address most of the demands would be sufficient.

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SIX people are known to have died when a gang of men opened fire on a taxi stand in a township south of Johannesburg yesterday. Nine other people were also killed on a day when thousands of blacks listened to May Day speeches up-sailing for government action to halt township violence.

The motive for the attack on the taxi stand in Vosloorus is not known. A police spokeswoman,

Captain Henristie Bester, said 2

van stopped outside a hospital in the township, a number of men got out and began firing at people waiting for taxis. Five men and a woman were killed, Capt Bester added that one of the victims was wearing the colours of the African National Congress (ANC). No arrests had been made, she said. Earlier in the day, the leader of South Africa's biggest trade union federation threatened a nationwide general strike if President F W de Klerk did not respond to the ANC ultimatum calling for the resignation of two ministers and a withdrawal of the security forces by 9 p.m. The ANC wants the removal of the Law and Order Minister, Adrian Vosk, and the Defence Minister, Magnus Malan, and the general secretary

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From John Carlin

in Johannesburg

of the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu), called on his members at a May Day rally in Port Elizabeth to spread the word
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Mr Naidoo, echoing a recent ANC statement, aiso said the gov-
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LONDON =~ Britain will support an application from South Africa to rejoin the Commonwealth once apartheid has been abolished, the Foreign Secretary, Douglas Hurd, said yesterday, Reuter reports.

In a report responding to a parliamentary committee study on South Africa, Mr Hurd said the majority of the Commonwealth's member-countries needed to adjust their approach to take into account recent changes there, V-

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CAPE TOWN. â\200\224 Three
of the 27 ANC Youth
League members arrested
after they had protested
at the National Party of-
fices in Burg Street, Cape
Town, late on Tuesday,
will appear in court to-
day.

Two of them will be
charged with assaulting
the police.

The remaining 24 will
be charged with either
trespassing or contraven-
ing the Gathering and
Demonstrations Act.

They have the opportu-
nity of paying a R50 ad-
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Late on Tuesday after-
noon, police were forced
to use teargas when they
arrested the 27 members
and supporters of the

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Youth League after they
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Party offices for about
three hours.

The protests were part
of the Leagueâ\200\231s country-
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COSATU vice-president
John Gomomo told a Soweto May Day rally yesterday that workers must demand an end to PAYE their

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He alleged that tax deductions from workersâ\200\231 wages were used by the government to pay the perpetrators of violence, including the CCB, the

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Mr Gomomo told the 3 500 strong crowd gathered at Sowetoâ\200\231s Orlando stadium that the ANC must not drop its most potent weapon that forced State President F W de

â\200\230Klerk to the negotiation

table â\200\224 this weapon was mass action.

He said it was time the ANC translated its programme for mass action

in 1991 into more concrete steps.

â\200\234Capitalism is not the answer to South Africaâ\200\231s

â\200\230economic woes as it has

rendered more than 50 percent of the economically active population unemployed,â\200\235 he said. He said it was because of capitalism that more than 58 percent of South Africaâ\200\231s workers were | unskilled. â\200\224 Sapa. - :

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monitor the rally. - Sapa.

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Col Linman said.

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Organised terror, says Nzo

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THE current township violence was an organised reign of terror aimed at elevating, â\200\234'vn o lndder of corpsesâ\200\231, political non-centinities to palitical prominence, ANC penernl secretary, Mr Alfred Nzo said yesterdny,

Speaking befpre nbout 4 000 people at a Workers Day Rally nt Orlando Stadium, Sowcte, Mr Nzo

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De Klerk on lis recent taur [tad discussed the issue of violence. â\200\234Mow much more needs to by distussed in order lo end the violence?"

"Our perception is that the regime wants to divert attention from our demands made in our open letter by clinging for (his

- meeting. The government

is very anxious to maintain links of solidarity with Inkatha at the expense of the lives of inner-

vent people.â\200\235

Between yesterday and May 9, 11 ANC were watching what progress the government made in meeting the demands since the ultimatum and

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if the demands were

met, it would embark on-

a nationwide campaign

to force the government

to meet the demandsâ\204ç,

The ANC, Mr Nzo, were committed to the â\200\234course leading to the peaceful end democratic transformation of our countryâ\204ç.

Other speakers at the family were Congress of South African Trade Unions vice-president, Mr John Gomo, and South African Communist Party (SACP) central committee member, Mr Jeremy Cronin,

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ber, Mr Joe Slovo.

Addressing a May Day
rally at Schokeng's Zogwe
in 7 Stadium yesterday, Mr
Joe Slovo said, the ANC
could therefore not be
blamed for condoning
that Mr De Klerk had a
double agenda.

â\200\234A dangerous political
game is being played
which risks the whole fu-
ture of the peace pro-
cess.â\200\235

The events of the past
year had shown the ANC
=another side of President
De Klerkâ\204ç.

â\200\234He, of course, re-
mains a realist, and there-
fore knows that he cannot
solve the (countryâ\200\231s politi-
cal) problem with the
African National Coun-
cil and its allies.,

â\200\234But at the same time.
those around him do
everything in their power
to defend the ANC and
â\200\234to use violence against its
supporters. And even if
he (Mr De Klerk) does
not encourage them
further, he certainly has

done nothing to stop .

these anti-peace forces.

. â\200\234We cannot be blamed

for condoning that Presi-

dent: De Klerk too has a-
double agenda.â\200\234 â\200\224 Sapa_ ..

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Important decisions have to be made and action taken, to establish the bona fides, the sincerity and the true intentions of those who have talked of peace and yet unleashed this violence and devastation upon innocent people.

The ANC has demanded that the government announce meaningful steps to end the carnage in townships.

The head of state anywhere in the world has the power to bring about an end to destruction, Mr Mandela said, referring to State President De Klerk.

Those who say they are sincere in their desire for peace must now prove this, by controlling and bringing an end to this violence or else admit their complicity in it

Unless of course, the government is saying to us that they are incapable of controlling their own police and army.

And if this is what they are saying, then surely we must consider whether such a government is a credible negotiating party and in 2 positions

to help bring an end to apartheid. - , -

We cannot accept the

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message that Mr De

Klerk is giving to the country and the international community, and we continue to say that he can stop the violence if he wishes to do so,â\200\235 Mr Marndela told the packed stadmm

The ANC leader was accompanied to the rally by SA Communist Party secretary | general, and ANC patonal executive comumittes member, Mr Joe Slgvo, L

The start of the raily

was delayed by more than three hours, ~after Mr Mandela and Mr Slovo - sisted on walking most of the seven kifometres from the Sebokeng hostel complex â\200\224 where Ie gathered - to mepg&- o, - :

A huge pohee presence, mcluding armomed persomel carriers, kept a watchfn] eye on the rally, which was peacefnl

The question for the ANC, Mr Mandela ssid, was how 10 contmue 10 pusue IS objectives, â\200\234when the path of negotadons on which we in the ANC are prepared to embark is blocked. and those who have the power

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Mandela warning

â\200\234Whatever sicps we take on May 10, pmy amonagst us will be oan-cial,â\200\235â\204ç he stressed, Tefer-ring tu the tmpartite alliance between the ANC, SACP and Cosam_

Referring to the ANC's demand that the govemnment ban all lethal weaponous, â\200\234be they cul-mral or technicalâ\204ç, Mr Mandela said:

*This must also include
the R1 rifles in the hostels
and which are in the
hands of the Right-wing
organisations.â\200\235

He also criticised the
government for de-
nouncing the ANC's call
for the formation of self-
defence units in town-
ships.

â\200\234The government can fly

â\200\230our call for self-defence

units is an obstacle to the
process for the release of
political prisoners.

â\200\234This is not acceptable
to the ANC, since it is of-
ten forgotten by the gov-
ernment that it was the
ANC who initiated " the
peace talks and laid down
as an obstacle to the ne-
gotiating process the con-
tinued exile of its mem-
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tion of political " protest

â\200\234which led to the arrest

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THE next few days

leading up to the May 9 ANC deadline to the government vice, hence, will determine, whether or not hopes of moving quickly towards the establishment of a democratic society were foreshadowed even before negotiations had begun,

Mr Nelson Mandela told a May Day rally in

on

Sebokeng township, outside Verulam yesterday., :

"Let there be no mistake, I do not understand;," the ANC deputy president told more than 40,000 people who attended the Cosatu-organized rally in Sebokeng's Zone 7 Stadium,

"The gravity of the situation does not allow for rhetorical gestures of

the next few days.
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