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Scary top spy

Shaik's appointment looks highly questionable

HE authors of our constitution were well aware of the danger of the country's intelligence services becoming overtly politicised, and tried to put checks and balances in place to limit this threat. Apart from demanding in section 199(5) that the security services act "in accordance with the constitution and the law", section 199(7)b specifically states that individuals employed by the service may not "further, in a partisan manner, any interest of a political party"

On the face of it, this makes President Jacob Zuma's decision to appoint controversial former African National Congress intelligence operative Mo Shaik as head of the South African Secret Service (SASS) highly questionable. Shaik's central role in the Bulelani Ngcuka apartheid spy allegation row and consequent Hefer inquiry, as well as hints of his behind-thescenes involvement in shady aspects of the arms deal and the shenanigans surrounding the National Prosecuting Authority's (NPA's) decision to drop corruption charges against Zuma, paint a picture of a man who acts primarily according to personal and party political loyalties, rather than loyalty to the South African state.

Although SASS is supposed to focus on foreign threats to SA's security — as opposed to the National Intelligence Agency, which keeps an eye on the domestic situation - Zuma is obliged as president to refrain from appointing people to powerful state positions when

their history indicates that they will struggle to fulfil the constitutional requirements of the job. Most scary of all is the fact that the secrecy requirements inherent to the position mean nobody outside the security cluster will ever know what Shaik gets up to.

In the case of Ngcuka, the Hefer inquiry established beyond all reasonable doubt that Shaik's allegation was unfounded, indicating that he is either not much of a spy or has no qualms about spreading misinformation and undermining the integrity of a state institution when it suits him. It was abundantly clear that the goal was to discredit Ngcuka, who as head of the NPA was investigating Zuma at

As University of Cape Town academic and constitutional expert Pierre de Vos points out, Shaik was lucky to escape prosecution for obstructing the prosecuting authority in the performance of its duties.

Similarly, it emerged when the NPA eventually dropped the corruption charges against Zuma that Shaik had inside knowledge of the circumstances in which Zuma's legal team came into possession of taped conversations that seemed to indicate a political conspiracy against Zuma. Since the tapes were gathered by an intelligence agency and were classified, merely possessing them was against the law. In the light of his appointment to SASS, the people of SA have a right to know whether Shaik was involved in any illegal activity.

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Numsa pushes ANC to outlaw labour brokers

WILSON JOHWA Political Correspondent

THE National Union of Metalworkers of SA (Numsa) yesterday called on the African National Congress (ANC) to use its parliamentary majority to ban labour broking.

Numsa general secretary Irvin Jim likened brokers to modern day slave masters, saying they preyed on poor black workers. "We're in the middle of a campaign to ensure that our stance is known ... the victory we want is the banning of labour brokers," he said.

The campaign was an election issue pushed by the ANC's alliance partners, the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu) and the South African Communist Party (SACP). Numsa, along with other Cosatu affiliates and the SACP, will use tomorrow - the international day of action to end precarious work to picket against labour broking.

ANC spokesman Brian Sokutu

said the issue was being "vigorously" debated within the party and its alliance partners, but "we haven't really come up with any resolution on what action we need to take".

The matter has split opinion mainly between the Cosatu affiliates and rival unions such as the Federation of Unions of SA (Fedusa) which preferred labour brokers to be regulated. A month ago Fedusa signed a memorandum of understanding with the Confederation of Associations in the Private Employment Sector to promote "decent work" in the labour broking sector.

However, Numsa deputy general secretary Karl Cloete said regulation had not worked. Despite provision for registration under a bargaining council, labour brokers in the metal sector chose not to register.

Cloete said there was a constant battle between brokers and employers over who ultimately was responsible for workers' welfare. johwaw@bdfm.co.za

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SA's stance on foreign M&A still not clear

S THE new government less open to cross-border mergers and acquisitions than the old? It is quite possible that it is. But the collapse of the proposed MTN-Bharti deal doesn't provide the evidence one way or the other — despite the frenzy of speculative comment over the past week about the tide of economic nationalism and protectionism that supposedly sunk the deal in SA.

MTN and Bharti's failure to connect, after more than one attempt and months of talks with regulators in both countries, has been subject to an unusual amount of postmortem speculation on what went wrong, in part because the deal tended to be seen as a test of whether the Zuma administration was indeed still open for business, specifically for foreign investment. It didn't help last week when Bharti jumped in to blame Pretoria for stomping on the deal.

But go back to the structure of the transaction and you have to ask how MTN-Bharti can be seen as any

kind of test of political attitudes to foreign investment, at least of SA's.

"We weren't aware of any shareholders who liked it," says one investment banker. The reasons were to do with structure and price. And it's possible that SA's regulators were uncomfortable for some of the same reasons that investors were.

First was that though this was punted as a merger of



Hilary Joffe

joffeh@bdfm.co.za the two companies, structured initially as each group taking a stake in the other, it was widely seen as a Bharti takeover. After all, Bharti sought to buy 49% of MTN, and to all intents and purposes that's a controlling stake. Many MTN shareholders wanted a premium for control, which was not forthcoming. Price had, in any event, become more and more of an issue, for both companies, as the rand strengthened in recent months.

But had Bharti made a nice clean cash offer for its 49%, the deal woulun't have raised serious exchangecontrol issues. And if SA regulators then found some way to stop it, that would have suggested the decision was indeed a political one. But Bharti was paying MTN shareholders only partly in cash: the rest was going to be in shares, and not proper Bharti shares but global depository receipts (GDRs). What vote, if any, would these have given MTN shareholders in Bharti? That was never clear. Nor was it clear what market value these limited-edition Bharti GDRs would have. Investors expected they would trade at a discount to the real Bharti shares. Fundamentally, shareholders were concerned that for giving up control of MTN they would get a hodgepodge of instruments of uncertain value and tradability.

There were concerns, too, about why GDRs were needed at all (as opposed to ordinary Bharti shares), and whether this wasn't about India's own ambivalent attitude to foreign investment and resistance to letting outsiders control its companies.

So the politics of foreign investment in India may, ironically, have undermined the deal more than did those of SA. Ironically too, in this clash of the exchange-control regimes, SA finally came up against one that was even more stringent and inflexible. The dual-listed structure that SA's exchange control authorities demanded is one that's been demanded and done before, by companies such as Mondi and Investec. It would, presumably, have been designed to ensure that if South African shareholders trade their Bharti shares, they would have do so at home and for rands rather than repatriating the cash. It is a cumbersome structure, but it would have worked fine with a UK or European company.

India, however, doesn't do dual listings. The trouble seems to be, says the Indian media, that this would require the rupee to be fully convertible; unlike the rand, it is not. So though India's finance minister reportedly told ours that India would look into the dual listing issue, in the end that didn't happen.

None of which is to say our own government would have let control of a national asset such as MTN slip into foreign hands just like that. No doubt the deal's peculiar structure was designed to assuage local fears. As the final terms were not revealed, we'll never know. Unless the postmortems come up with something, we'll just have to wait until the next mega deal to find out what the government's attitude to foreign mergers and acquisitions really is.

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Best JSC candidates overlooked, says legal fraternity

FRANNY RABKIN Staff Writer

THE list of four judges chosen by President Jacob Zuma for the Constitutional Court has perplexed many in the legal fraternity, with some saying the strongest candidates on the Judicial Service Commission's (JSC's) short list of seven were overlooked.

Several lawyers were also shocked that only one woman judge was included.

Zuma's choices were Sisi Khampepe, Mogoeng Mogoeng, Chris Jafta and Johan Froneman. Zuma's spokesman, Vincent Magwenya, said yesterday he was still consulting political parties on whom to appoint. It is therefore technically possible that his choices may change.

Magwenya said Zuma was "disappointed that some political parties" had decided to leak the list.

Several lawyers Business Day spoke to were surprised that Zuma overlooked Labour Appeal Court Judge President Raymond Zondo and Supreme Court of Appeal Judge Mandisa Maya. They were considered by many to be the strongest constitutional lawyers on the JSC's short list, but were "inexplicably" not included, said one senior lawyer.

Kevin Malunga, a law lecturer at the University of the Witwatersrand, said Zuma might have been influenced by a number of factors — including "geographical representivity" and the need to look at transformation of the judiciary holistically. He said those who lost out might have done so because of the crucial roles they play in the courts they are in at present.

The issue of who would succeed Zondo at the Labour Appeal Court was discussed at some length during his JSC interview last month.

By "geographical representivity" Malunga meant that Zuma might have also wanted to ensure people were appointed from different provinces.

Should Zuma's list remain unchanged, the number of women judges on the Constitutional Court will be reduced from three to two. Wits professor Cathi Albertyn said this was disappointing as there were "enough strong women candidates on the JSC's short list for at least two to have been appointed".

One of the explanations offered for a single female appointment was the government's concern that leadership of the high court divisions was still an overwhelmingly male affair. It is thought this affected KwaZulu-Natal High Court Judge Leona Theron's chances. Theron was a popular candidate, but she has also been tipped for a leadership post on the KwaZulu-Natal bench.

But Albertyn said there was a "bigger question of how these choices are being made and the filtering system that is used".

She said the way it worked now was not transparent and resulted in "us not ending up with the best constitutional lawyers, because we are too busy looking at other things". rabkinf@bdfm.co.za

Zuma's new appointments

NORMOUS challenges await Judge Sandile Ngcobo and Mzuvukile Maqetuka, who face similar tasks in restoring public confidence in

their all-important departments.

Chief Justice-designate Ngcobo has to mend a South African judiciary in turbulence, where racial tensions have emerged amid personality tussles and ambitions for higher office. Central to this trouble was the protracted, bare-knuckle fight between judges of the Constitutional Court and John Hlophe, Judge President of the Cape.

For some years, the judiciary has been prone to incidents which have incurred public uncertainty about its stability, strength and even calibre. The latest was Ngcobo's nomination itself, where President Zuma apparently mis-spoke, raising the ire of political rivals, who complained that proper procedure had been disregarded in appointing the country's leading judge.

Ncgobo's job, although he has less than two years before Zuma seeks a successor, must be to reduce judicial politics and focus the entire Bench on simply

dispensing quality justice.

As South Africa's new chief spy, Maqetuka will have the internal National Intelligence Agency and the external South African Secret Service reporting to him – both of which have new bosses: Gibson Njenje and Moe Shaik respectively.

We side with the ANC in hoping that new structure, headed by Maqetuka's State Security Agency, will bring to the intelligence community much-need-

ed stability and leadership.

Abuse of state spy apparatus for political infighting and dirty power plays damaged the credibility of an agency which was supposed to be guardian of the country's security – leaving citizens feeling insecure.

There is a suspicion that years of loyalty to Zuma, and through his extraordinary rise to the presidency, may have played a role in these sensitive appointments. But Maqetuka's vow not to tolerate agents' interference in politics or irregular intelligence activities is an encouraging start to the turnaround.

Ex-IFP man loses fight for Exco seat

IRENE KUPPAN

THE IFP official who took the party to court in an attempt to keep his position on the eThekwini Municipality's executive committee (Exco) has resigned from the IFP.

This emerged at the Durban High Court on Friday, where Gladwin Ndlela's application for leave to appeal against the court's earlier decision – refusing his application for an interdict that would have prevented the IFP from replacing him on Exco – was heard.

Ndlela's advocate, Noel Winfred, told the court he had been informed by the IFP's legal representative that Ndlela had resigned as a member of the party and as a councillor last month.

Ndlela had initially asked the court for an interdict preventing the IFP from replacing him on Exco, and was granted an interim interdict in July, pending the outcome of his application.

He claimed he did not know why he was being removed, and that he had had no response from the IFP to his letters requesting that information.

Ndlela said he had resigned from his position as a director in the KZN Department of Education because he had been promised the post at Exco.

If removed from Exco, Ndlela said, he would lose 50 percent of his salary.

In court papers, the IFP's Jeremiah Zswelilhe Khanyile said it was the IFP's prerogative to replace Ndlela, adding he that was always treated fairly and had no right to insist on keeping the

position. He said Ndlela was placed on the IFP's parliamentary list and before the elections it was agreed that Thembi Nzuza would take his place on Exco.

However, Ndlela lost out on the parliamentary post by one seat, and the party's political oversight committee instructed that Nzuza would get the Exco post.

In August Judge Achmet Jappie dismissed Ndlela's application with costs. He found that Ndlela had failed to make out a case that he had the right to occupy his position on Exco.

The judge said that Ndlela's position was purely at the instance of the IFP, and the party had the right to decide who represented it at Exco and how to deploy its members.

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He said Ndlela's claim that if he was removed from his position he would suffer financially flew in the face of the undertaking he made when he joined the party – that he joined voluntarily and expected no financial gain.

On Friday Winfred said his instructions were to proceed with the application for leave to appeal, despite its becoming academic because of Ndlela's resignation.

For the IFP, advocate Warren Shapiro asked that the application be dismissed with costs, adding that Ndlela should have withdrawn the application for leave to appeal after he resigned.

Jappie said granting the application would have no practical effect now that Ndlela had resigned. He dismissed Ndlela's application and ordered Ndlela to pay the IFP costs.



JULIUS MALEMA

Malema is just a big embarrassment

I WOULD like to know when somebody in the ANC is going to shut Julius Malema up.

He is an embarrassment to the core. He is an empty tin making a lot of noise. The ANC should really recall him and discipline him. He is spoiling the reputation of this country and all Nelson Mandela fought and stood for.

He fails to realise that much of the business in this country is still run by foreigners and if they decide to pull their businesses from South Africa we will end up like Zimbabwe.

Malema should be removed.
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Durban

ANC youth leader must be stopped

IF PRESIDENT Jacob
Zuma wishes to be taken
seriously and be seen to be
doing the very best for
South Africa, he needs to
put a stop to ANC Youth
League leader Julius
Malema and his antics.

I have just finished reading the report of Malema's speech at the technikon and can only hope that the students there are intelligent enough to recognise rubbish when they hear it.

It is very distressful that 15 years down the line we still have to put up with someone like him spreading hate and racist speech in public places. It is high time that the ANC got rid of and disassociated themselves from him, or we will be led to believe that they actually agree with what he is saying.

The country's future looks very bleak when you have someone like Malema running around talking rubbish and nothing is done to stop him.

A VERY CONCERNED SOUTH AFRICAN Durban

Motata admits to drinking before crash

JUDGE Nkola Motata has admitted to drinking on the night of his car accident.

He made this admission in a fourpage response to an AfriForum complaint to the Judicial Services Commission (JSC).

"I was at a restaurant in Randburg together with one of my colleagues, where we had dinner. I arrived at the said restaurant at 7pm. While we were having our meals, we consumed a bottle of wine where each of us consumed two glasses," said the judge, adding that he had a cup of coffee before driving home.

Motata was recently convicted on a charge of drunk driving after he crashed through the wall of a Sandton property owned by Richard Baird in January 2006.

He pleaded not guilty.

Soon after the accident, he reportedly told a journalist: "I wasn't drunk

at all... I had been with one of my colleagues earlier that night drinking tea."

The Afriforum complaint to the JSC is based on an audio recording made by Baird on the night of the accident. In the recording, Motata is heard saying: "No boer is going to undermine me ... This used to be the white man's land, even if they can have more land ... South Africa is ours, we are ruling South Africa."

The civil rights organisation has accused Motata of "racial misconduct".

The audio recording also captures Motata telling police officers responding to the accident that, "There's no boer who will undermine and degrade me. He must stop pestering me with this wall of his."

By contrast, Motata claims he said: "Even if I have knocked down the wall, I will pay, but he must not degrade and disparage me." – Sapa

ANC leadership 'undermined'

CAIPHUS KGOSANA

THE axed ANC leadership in the Western Cape has been accused of undermining the interim administration that is running the party's affairs in the province

The district secretary of the ANC Youth League in the Cape Metro, Loyiso Nkohla, claimed supporters of former provincial chairman Mcebisi Skwatsha were trying to discredit the provincial task team headed by Labour Minister Membathisi Mdladlana,

which was put in place by the ANC national executive committee after it disbanded the provincial leadership.

Nkohla told a packed OR Tambo Hall in Khayelitsha that Skwatsha supporters were going around the province telling ANC branches not to recognise the provincial task team.

Skwatsha refused to comment.

Meanwhile, Young Communist League secretary Buti Manamela has defended the SACP against accusations that communists are trying to dominate the ruling party.

Only one woman justice for the country's highest court

ANGELA QUINTAL

ALTHOUGH two of the four Constitutional Court justices who retire this month are women, President Jacob Zuma prefers to appoint only one woman, Sisi Khampepe, to the highest court in the land.

Speculation is that, given there are no women judges president in any of the high court divisions, Mandisa Maya and Leona Theron have been earmarked to head up Free State and KwaZulu-Natal respectively.

It is understood from a letter sent by the president to political parties in the national assembly, that the three other vacancies in the Constitutional Court will be filled by Johan Froneman, Chris Jafta and Mogoeng wa Mogoeng.

It is not clear whether political leaders will object that only one woman will be ele-



SPECULATION:
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vated to the court and whether the president will reconsider, should there be concerns.

The Judicial Service Commission (JSC) last month recommended seven names for the president to consider for his first appointments to the court, given that Chief Justice Pius Langa and judges Yvonne Mogoro, Albie Sachs and Kate O'Regan retire next week.

Those who are not on Zuma's preferred list for the Concourt, but were part of the JSC's list, include Raymond Zondo, Maya and Theron.

Speculation is that because there are no women judges president, that Maya and Theron have been earmarked for these posts.

In an interview with the Daily News after becoming Justice Minister, Jeff Radebe said he was concerned about the gender composition of the Bench and that none of the judges president in South Africa was a woman.

Theron is tipped to replace KwaZulu-Natal Judge President Vuka Tshabalala when he retires.

DA hangs up on Zuma's hotline

Presidency says party is abusing system

POLITICAL BUREAU

HE DA has taken aim at President Jacob Zuma's hotline, pointing to several glitches in its operation.

The party has been tracking the hotline's performance by lodging several complaints, and leader Helen Zille said callers were kept on hold for long periods or had their calls disconnected.

"The DA has phoned the hotline 42 times over the course of 13 days, without once being able to get through.

"For the first week, we were put on hold for 16 minutes before the call was disconnected," Zille said.

"In the second week, the time dropped to six minutes before we were disconnected. In the third week, it again returned to 16 minutes.

"These 42 calls translate into 572 minutes on hold, or nine hours and 32 minutes. For



HELEN ZILLE

the last two weeks, the DA has not been able to register a single complaint," she said.

The hotline went live last month, based on Zuma's election promise to set up a mechanism for people to call his office directly to report problems with government service.

It has been set up as a public liaison facility and complaints are followed up with the government departments concerned.

Zille said the DA had been unable to get a reference number for any of its complaints.

The party has, among others, complained about the appointment of academic Paul Ngobeni as advisor to Defence and Military Veterans Minister Lindiwe Sisulu amid reports that he is a fugitive from the law in the US.

It has also reported incidents of corruption at a local municipality as well as allegations of bribery at the Nyanga refugee centre in the Western Cape.

"Increasingly Jacob Zuma's administration seems to be defined by this kind of problem. A big promise is made, amid much fanfare and publicity, but then nothing follows.

"It is ordinary South Africans who are let down as a result and lose faith in government's ability to deliver," said the DA leader.

But presidential spokesman Vincent Magwenya accused the DA of abusing a system meant for "people with legitimate grievances".

He said the DA had many other platforms available to raise its grievances.

Magwenya said it was unfortunate that the DA had embarked on a political sidelines show to discredit a hotline that was set up to promote participatory democracy and direct access to government by citizens.

Many of the hotline's initial glitches had been fixed, he said, and there had been an increase in the number of calls, and in letters and faxes received from people.

Žuma would give a progress report on the hotline on Wednesday, Magwenya said.

Shaik not fit for secret service post: Azapo

THE "tainted" record of newly appointed secret service head Moe Shaik left much to be desired, Azapo charged yesterday.

"The intelligence wing of our country has been riddled with embarrassing issues...," Azapo secretary-general Strike Thokoane said after a weekend meeting of its central committee in Braamfontein, Johannesburg.

President Jacob Zuma was known to have benefited from intelligence—some of which was obtained from Shaik, Thokoane said, noting that concerns had been raised about whether this would have held up to judicial scrutiny.

It had been necessary to stabilise the intelligence wing "with people of integrity whose standing in society cannot be questioned".

"The intelligence of a country is one of the most important activities for the protection and security of a people," he said.

Moe Shaik is the brother of convicted fraudster Schabir Shaik – the former financial adviser of Zuma – and is himself a close associate of Zuma.

While his appointment has been widely criticised by political

parties as a reward for this loyalty to Zuma, State Security Minister Siyabonga Cwele said he was appointed because of his vast experience in intelligence matters.

"He (Shaik) served in the international underground structures of the ANC in Natal. His duties involved collection and analysis of intelligence at the coalface," said Cwele.

Shaik has served as an ambassador, special adviser to the minister of foreign affairs and head of the policy research unit.

"This appointment has clearly been made to consolidate the Zuma faction's hold over the South African intelligence community," said DA MP Theo Coetzee.

It was inappropriate for the president's close personal friend to be appointed to such a senior post in the intelligence, Coetzee said.

Congress of the People spokesman, Phillip Dexter, said that Shaik's appointment was concerning because he had proved himself to be an unprofessional person.

It was "further proof that loyal political supporters are still being appointed to top positions by the

ANC leadership", added FF Plus MP Pieter Groenewald.

The Shaik appointment should have been avoided because of his "controversial family ties" with Zuma, he said.

"In the secret service industry, controversy should always be avoided and Shaik's appointment is controversial per se," Groenewald said.

The secret service is charged with gathering intelligence, including military intelligence, beyond South Africa's borders and identifying any potential threats to the country – Sapa

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Planting of seeds of doubt slammed

COLLEEN DARDAGAN

AGRICULTURE Department officials have rubbished recent claims in the press that staff hired to secure provisions in time for the September planting season were paid R70 000 a month "just to send faxes".

Agriculture MEC Lydia Johnson has also rejected claims, made by other officials and National Education, Health and Allied Workers Union members and reported in the press, that the department's acting head, Siddiq Adam, did not follow proper procedures in appointing the PricewaterhouseCoopers consortium last year to help meet planting season deadlines.

"I am fully aware of the process followed and it was within the regulations," Johnson said.

According to a report handed to The Mercury, a decision to hire the consortium to

effect a financial turnaround strategy for the department was taken because the supply chain management unit was deemed incapable of meeting the deadline.

"At the first cabinet meeting in June, the Premier (Zweli Mkhize) stated... that the de-

partment must be ready for the planting season. There were to be no excuses," said Adam.

"If we had not appointed the consortium, procurement of the seeds and fertiliser to meet the September planting season deadline would have been impossible."

The consortium was paid more than R7 million for the

three-and-half month assignment, which involved 27 staff members – three directors, six

senior managers, and 18 assistant managers.

Adam said the price had been negotiated down to R7m from more than R14m, which was the auditorgeneral's published rate for the task.

According to minutes of a meeting held

in June, Adam was given the go-ahead by Johnson to proceed with the appointment.

Johann Krog, the DA's spokesman on agriculture, said that hiring outside help to do the department's day-to-day work should not be necessary and that the taxpayer was now paying extra for work that should be done by department employees.



JOHNSON

Labour brokers blamed again

CARIEN DU PLESSIS POLITICAL BUREAU

AS PUBLIC hearings about labour brokering got off to a slightly chaotic start in Welkom late yesterday, the National Union of Mineworkers called for the ANC to use its majority in Parliament to push for laws to ban the practice.

Announcing today's start of mass action by trade unions against labour brokers, Numsa general secretary Irvin Jim told journalists that labour brokers turned people into "modern-day slaves".

Labour brokers are responsible for matching people with jobs, but Jim said this often meant that employers shifted their responsibility for looking after workers to the broker, who in turn did not care about the workers but rather about profits.

It was also difficult for trade unions to organise those who

worked for labour brokers, he

Jim blamed labour brokers for the deepening inequalities between rich and poor and white and black.

"In a society with high levels of inequalities, it is a crisis to allow this system to flourish," he said.

Numsa president Cedric Gcina said the union's definition of labour brokers included established employment agencies such as Kelly Girl, Adcorp and TES Connect.

Labour federation Cosatu, in a statement yesterday, called for support for the mass action planned by trade unions, saying labour brokers were largely to blame for the "casualisation" of labour.

Although Parliament's portfolio committee on labour, chaired by ANC MP Lumka Yengeni, gave Cosatu a sympathetic ear in recent public hearings on the issue, President Jacob Zuma has said that the party supported the regulation, rather than an outright ban, of labour brokers.

Labour Minister Membathisi Mdladlana has also suggested better regulation as the better option.

Cope and the DA last week came out in united support for improved regulation of the labour broker industry.

However, Jim responded by saying that they "would gladly throw us back into the dark old days when black and African workers were not allowed to form trade unions".

DA MP Ian Ollis said that the public hearings on labour brokers in the Free State were not properly advertised and had started off in disarray.

He said initial submissions were all made by Cosatu members who "appeared to be reading from faxes" from head office rather than workers relating their experiences".

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Julius Malema

ARECENT headline encapsulated it well: "Malema's a clown but no one is laughing". Then the circus continued and we all just sat there, watching as the spectacle unfolded. Has the time not now come though to really question the antics of Julius Malema?

Call him a clown, a motor mouth, king of the kindergarten. Call him what you will, but the 28-year-old is also a successful politician. He has risen to dizzying heights ever since he stepped into the limelight 18 months ago as head of the ANC Youth League. And, like him or loathe him, there is not a South African among us who doesn't know him.

Next to President Jacob Zuma he is arguably the most talked about public figure in South Africa today, on the back of his pull-no-punches style of politics and his uncanny knack for turning every public platform into his own.

But he has upped the ante in an alarming way of late and his tone has taken on a worrying connotation. His most recent rant – a call for a boycott against one of the country's leading banks – is surely a cause for real concern.

There is not a shred of evidence behind his illogical conclusion that Nedbank pulled out of its athletics sponsorship for racial reasons but, hey, why let the truth spoil the thrust of a political speech? After all, such racial ranting and slander appears to win followers.

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ANC denies involvement in mob attack

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THE ANC has categorically denied allegations made by Abahlali baseMjondolo (shack dwellers' movement) that it had been behind a mob attack on residents of the Kennedy Road informal settlement, in Sydenham, Durban, in which two men were killed last month.

A mob of about 30 men went on a rampage, attacking residents and demolishing homes, about two weeks ago.

Residents said the mob was a group known as "the forum", who had initially organised themselves into a crimefighting unit. However, instead of fighting crime, the group had terrorised the community and had placed people under house arrest by imposing curfews in the area.

Yesterday, eThekwini council Speaker James Nxumalo, of the ANC, denied claims that the party and the police had had a role in attacks.

"While acknowledging that societal issues, such as the impact of mushrooming taverns in the area, human settlement issues and the credibility of a self-imposed safety forum may

have contributed to the turmoil, the ANC dismisses the claims of ethnic tension as total misrepresentation of the real situation," Nxumalo said.

He said reports indicating that negative elements in the community were stirring up public unrest had been noted.

Meanwhile, the Diakonia Council of Churches has joined local and international organisations in supporting residents of the informal settlement and Abahlali members, who were the target of the mob attack.

"We call on the local and provincial government to pro-

vide immediate relief to those affected, especially the most vulnerable, including women and children," said Diakonia spokesman Roland Vernon.

Community Safety and Liaison MEC Willies Mchunu called a meeting at the Kennedy Road community hall on Sunday, where he had hoped to meet community leaders, church organisations and residents of the settlement to report back on progress made to rid the area of crime.

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Fresh calls for IFP to transform

Ido Lekota

THE IFP could soon undergo a serious metamorphosis, including a name change and a revised constitution that allows for the election of a deputy president.

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IFP members calling themselves "the concerned group" want the party's name to be changed to the National Free-

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The group – which includes councillors and some members of the party's national leadership – argue that the name "Inkatha" was limiting the party's ability to draw supporters from other ethnic groupings because "it is believed to be a Zulu-nised (sic) word symbolising violence, intimidation and an exclusively Zulu organisation".

The members also want a woman to be elected as president at the party's next elective conference expected to be held

sometime next month.

This call is in line with some members of the Inkatha Youth Brigade who have called for the party's chairperson Zanele Magwaza-Msibi to become Buthelezi's successor.

Magwaza-Msibi has indicated that she would support Buthelezi – if he still wanted to remain the party's leader after the forthcoming election.

A member of the group said that having a deputy president

would deal with the issue of succession.

The IFP has never had a deputy president, with Inkosi Mangosuthu Buthelezi being the president since its formation.

In terms of the group's proposal, the deputy president would succeed the president.

Yesterday IFP spokesperson Musa Zondi dismissed the group's call, saying the party only dealt with "concerns raised by constitutionally constituted structures of the party".

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Teachers haunted by safety issues

Sne Masuku

WHILE teachers around the country celebrated World Teachers' Day yesterday, KwaZulu-Natal teachers' unions pointed out that safety and security at schools and corruption are still the major challenges haunting educators at schools.

The celebrations at various venues in the province coincided with the reopening of

schools in the region.

Though teaching and learning continued at some schools, it was not business as usual since teachers were allowed to attend celebrations in their districts and circuit areas.

Most parents at most public schools chose to keep their children at home. The South African Democratic Teachers Union celebrated at the Civic Hall in Pinetown, where more than 2 000 teachers gathered.

The South African Council for Educators spoke about ethics, professionalism and good conduct for teachers.

Sadtu provincial secretary Mbuyiseni Mathonsi said in celebrating the endurance of teachers who work under "harsh and under-resourced conditions", they would also look at providing teachers with skills to overcome the challenges.

The National Teachers Union met at its Empangeni headquarters and felt there was not that much to celebrate this year. Many promises to teachers were not kept.

Natu spokesperson Allen Thompson claimed teachers were becoming more and more de-motivated because of the delay of various payments due to them by the national Department of Education.

Mobilise to defeat leftists

I WARNED people about communists and their loud-mouthed allies taking over the ANC.

I said communists never contest elections on their own because they never win. They manipulate their way to the top and usurp power. Once that happens it's the end of democracy.

They flood the judiciary with incompetent loyalists, hound the independent media, replace reality with rhetoric, stifle private enterprise and lower education standards so that people do not become too clever and question them.

They introduce higher taxes, repeat lies until people believe them, kill public debate by labeling opponents anti-revolutionary and shamelessly monopolise poverty alleviation programmes. They question the Constitution and individual rights. They try to discredit or remove all levels of government to have a unitary state where corruption is limited to loyalists on a grand scale. They are enemies of democracy.

We have witnessed gutter politics by the ANC Youth League, driven by the communists to get rid of Thabo Mbeki. They have left the nation with a hollow morality. Thieves, liars, convicted felons and fraudsters, cheats and corrupt individuals are seen as heroes. They and their allies in Cosatu and the youth league push the agenda

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We are probably the only
democracy where people still
talk so romantically about a
failed, corrupt, undemocratic,
murderous system. Somebody
please start an anti-communist
movement to educate citizens
about its dangers. I will be the
first member.

Maredi B Mello, Kempton Park

IAMA VICTIMOF A PLOT-SELEBI

Dudu Busani and Kingdom Mabuza

FORMER police chief Jackie Selebi dropped a bombshell in the Johannesburg high court yesterday by accusing two ex-Scorpions bosses of plotting against him.

Former NPA bosses Bulelani Ngcuka and Vusi Pikoli were mentioned as Selebi pleaded not guilty to charges of corruption and defeating the ends of justice.

Selebi said his trial was a "malicious prosecution and an attempt to discredit me".

In his plea explanation Selebi claimed that Ngcuka and Pikoli had fabricated allegations against him because he knew of their alleged involvement in corrupt deals.

"The relationship with Ngcuka deteriorated substantially in the years preceding 2005 because I supported the view that the Scorpions acted beyond their mandate and that they should be dissolved and incorporated into the SAPS," he said.

He claimed that while Ngcuka was head of the National Prosecuting Authority he entered into a deal with Billy Rautenbach to pro-

tect him from prosecution on condition that he connected him to mining in the Democratic Republic of Congo and Zimbabwe.

"Ngcuka approached Rautenbach's attorney suggesting a solution to his pending criminal investigation if he cooperated with him. The information is further that Ngcuka tried to extort a bribe from the attorney and that he was more interested in information regarding mining rights than the investigation," Selebi said.

Rautenbach is a former boss of Hyundai and is also a state witness in Selebi's case.

Selebi is accused of accepting bribes from the late mining magnate Brett Kebble, suspected drug trafficker Glenn Agliotti and Rautenbach in exchange for protection against shady business deals.

A warrant for Selebi's arrest was issued by Pikoli, who was later suspended and eventually fired.

Selebi claims that Pikoli solicited money from Kebble through his wife.

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The trial continues today.

Ngcuka and Pikoli deny 'conspiracy'

Anna Majavu and Sapa

FORMER Scorpions boss Bulelani Ngcuka and his successor Vusi Pikoli have denied that they had plotted against Jackie Selebi.

Selebi yesterday alleged in the Johannesburg high court that Ngcuka and Pikoli had conspired with criminals to cook up evidence against him. He said it was because he knew about their involvement in corrupt activities. He also implicated Pikoli's wife, Girly Majola-Pikoli, in underhand deals.

But Ngcuka yesterday accused Selebi of trying to "create a sideshow".

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Ngcuka said he had never even

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"Secondly, when I joined business my partners and I took a principled decision not to be involved in any mining activity ... to avoid any perceived conflict of interest because my wife, Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, was minister of minerals and energy at the time.

"Thirdly, it is baffling why Selebi, the most senior policeman at the time, did not charge me after his alleged discovery."

Majola-Pikoli refused to comment vesterday.

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Mosajee said Majola-Pikoli owned two percent of the shares in Vulisango, but she bought them after Vulisango director Baba Njenje had invited her to take up the shareholding.

Cecil Motsepe

JANUSZ Walus - the man iailed for the April 1993 coldblooded murder of Chris Hani - is determined to go to the grave with the name or names of people who hired him to assassinate the leader of the SA Communist Party.

This grim prospect hit me on Saturday when I bumped into this Polish anti-communist immigrant while visiting friends in Pretoria's C-Max Prison.

Since it was a family day all the inmates were allowed on to the prison soccer grounds. where they mingled happily with members of the public.

Clad in an orange uniform. Walus seemed at home as he puffed away on a cigar in the company of his family.

Like a hungry lion I watched him from a distance as I lay in wait for his family to bid him farewell. Black inmates treated him with respect, scarcely conscious of



the fact that Walus robbed the country of a beloved revolutionary leader. A few bowed as they stopped for a chat.

"They respect him because he is a karate sensei," one inmate whispered in my ear.

As soon as his family said their goodbyes, I jumped up and introduced myself.

With his cigar firmly clenched between his thin lips, Walus shot out his right hand to shake mine.

"I hear that you train inmates in karate," I asked in order to break the ice.

"Yes, sir, that is true, I share with my fellow inmates whatever I know about karate," he said.

After spending 10 minutes on the subject, I moved into second gear: "Were you not supposed to have received parole?"

Walus responded "I was

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KILLED: Chris Hani

to have gone out almost a year ago" he added that the delay was due to "certain" people conspiring against

Anyone watching us would have sworn we had known each other for many moons. Our conversation progressed smoothly until I pressed the wrong but-

ton: "When can we do an article about you?

Something that would tell the public how sorry you are about Hani's murder?" His facial expression changed. With his green eyes wide

open, he leaned close to my face. I could almost feel his heartbeat. "I am not the kind of person who likes talking about my feelings," he said.

I told him that South Africans were very forgiving and that a public apology could earn him some sympathy and eventually open prison doors for him.

"My friend you are wasting

your time. I will never talk about that subject," he said.

I pulled one last subterfuge: "Your attitude tells me that someone out there must be holding a gun to the heads of your family members."

"Most of my family is in Poland, so why would I be scared?" he said.

He shot out his arm and gave me a firm farewell handshake. I had failed to crack him, I thought to myself as he disappeared into the crowd.

Walus and senior Conservative Party MP Clive Derby Lewis were sentenced to death for Hani's murder in April 1993.

But their sentences were commuted to life in 1995. The pair were denied amnesty by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission in the late 1990s. Over the past few years they have tried in vain to get presidential pardons for their crime.



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The Malema conundrum

RECENT headline encapsulated it well: "Malema's a clown but no one is laughing". But then the circus continued and we all just sat there, watching as the spectacle unfolded. Has the time not now come though to really question the antics of Julius Malema?

Call him a clown. A motor mouth. King of the kindergarten. Call him what you will, but the 28-year-old is also easily one of the most successful politicians in our midst. Like none other he has risen to dizzying heights ever since he stepped into the limelight 18 months ago as head of the ANC Youth League. And like him or loathe him, there is not a South African among us who doesn't know him. Next to President Jacob Zuma he is arguably the most talked about public figure in SA today, on the back of his pull-no-punches style of politics and his uncanny knack for turning every public platform into his own.

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KARYN MAUGHAN AND ALEX ELISEEV

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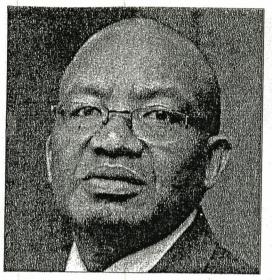
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ANC just trying to score points with Semenya task team

HILE the debate rages about Leonard Chuene's future as president of Athletics South Africa, little attention is being paid to the devastating impact the gendertesting saga might be having on the young athlete at the centre of the controversy -Caster Semenya.

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quietly as Chuene, his supporters, and his detractors trampled all over her dignity and rights. All in the name of a political game that has little to do with her.

· Even those claiming to have Semenya's best interests at heart, like ANC Youth League president Julius Malema, have generally behaved in a manner that has served only to turn her difficult

battle with the International Association of Athletics Federations into a circus.

The decision, therefore, by the ANC to set up a task team to provide practical support to Semenya and her family should be welcomed.

At last, at least someone out there realises the trauma that the athlete and her family are

likely to be experiencing. Though the ANC, like any other organisation or individual, has every right to provide the kind of support it sees fit for the 800m gold medalist and her family, the task

team would have been a much better idea if its composition were not limited to ANC

As it is, the task team — led by ANC secretary-general Gwede Mantashe and including controversial figures such as Winnie Madikizela-Mandela and Manto Tshabalala-Msimang — appears to be no more than yet another attempt to score cheap political points using the athlete's misfortune.

The ruling party would have done well to mobilise the government, which represents all South Africans, to lead the campaign in

Semenya's support.

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Zuma slams leak of judges' names

SIPHO MASONDO

PRESIDENT Jacob Zuma's office has slammed opposition parties for leaking the names of his preferred candidates for the four vacant posts at the Constitutional Court

stitutional Court.

This follows media reports that Zuma has proposed Eastern Cape judge Johan Froneman, the Supreme Court of Appeal's Justice Chris Jafta, Southern Gauteng High Court

judge Sisi Khampepe and North West judge Mogoeng wa Mogoeng for places on the bench of the highest court.

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The four are among seven judges short-listed by the Judicial Service Commission last month.

In terms of the law, Zuma must consult opposition parties before choosing from the short list.

His spokesman, Vincent Magwenya, told *The Times* that Zuma was "disappointed" to learn that "political parties have decided to operate outside established processes".

"It undermines the process that political parties are part of. I can confirm that correspondence was sent to political parties [for approval]," he said.

The letters were intended to "solicit views and opinions on the candidates" from all parties represented in Parliament, he said.

Tackle transformation, not Malema, the messenger

NEDBANK's decision to terminate Athletics South Africa's five-year sponsorship agreement a year early is not only regrettable, it is unfortunate in the context of development in the country.

It's quite sad that more attention has been given to what ANC Youth League president Julius Malema says than the impact of Nedbank's withdrawal in terms of fulfilment of socioeconomic development for the purpose of addressing the legacy of our apartheid past.

Malema's misgiving about the Nedbank saga is informed by an inherent tendency to marginalise black Africans. For instance, Nedbank appointed a new chief financial officer, but suddenly stripped her of the powers conferred on her predecessor. Old Mutual followed with the controversial restructuring of the reporting lines of its chief executive in the same way Alexander Forbes appointed Sello Moloko as "non-executive" chairman, in a deliberate attempt to abolish the post of executive chairmanship initially occupied by Bruce Campbell. Unfortunately, the affected people happen to be black.

All of this provides proof of the underhand tactics employed to avoid achieving acceptable levels of equity in senior management — a key management transformation measure of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act. This includes a lack of commitment on the part of business to bring balance to the number of black people who manage, own and control the country's economy.

Is it any coincidence that no one raised any concerns about this deep-seated and prejudiced agenda to exclude black people in operational roles? Perhaps it's a matter of being too quick to find something wrong when Malema raises a point of view?

Whatever it is, Malema does not belong to the generation that would embrace quiet diplomacy on issues that present a major obstacle to reducing poverty and socioeconomic inequality.

As a militant cadre of the young lions, it's a fact that he will never keep quiet and watch the status quo perpetuate the legacy of apartheid and imperialist ideology which aims to undermine development and exploit it for its own ends.

It's for this reason that we should engage with the issues at hand, not the person who raises these issues.

Because the latter has the potential to create bias and subjectivity in our ongoing national discourse on transformation. — Morgan Phaahla, Ekurhuleni

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But ex-police boss 'exposes' conspiracy

SALLY EVANS and DOMINIC MAHLANGU

FORMER National Prosecuting Authority bosses Bulelani Ngcuka and Vusi Pikoli have called former national police commissioner Jackie Selebi a liar, who is trying to divert attention away from the damning charges against him.

on the first day of his trial yesterday, Selebi — who faces charges of corruption and defeating the ends of justice — delivered the fireworks he had promised, saying that Pikoli and Ngcuka had conspired against him to cover their own corrupt behaviour

own corrupt behaviour.

In his "not guilty" plea explanation read out by his lawyer, Advocate Jaap Cilliers SC in the South Gauteng High Court in Johannesburgerstorder, Scientia acquired Newsburgers. yesterday, Selebi accused Ngcuka and his successor, Pikoli, of soliciting criminals to create "false state-

ments" against him.
The state alleges that Selebi made R1.2-million from corrupt relationships with druglord Glen Agliotti, slain mining magnate Brett Kebble and former Hyundai

boss Billy Rautenbach.

Selebi said, however, that Ngcuka himself attempted to strike a lu-crative deal with Rautenbach, who recently reached a settlement with the state after being accused of multimillion-rand fraud and tax evasion.

Selebi claims he tried to talk to Pikoli about Ngcuka's alleged dealings, which the then NPA boss dismissed, saying: "Oh, it is a murky

He told the court he had lost favour with Ngcuka and Pikoli after supporting the dissolution of the elite

porting the dissolution of the ente-crime-fighting unit, the Scorpions. Selebi further claims he had information that Pikoli's wife, Nozuko Majola-Pikoli, received "material gratification" from Keb-ble in the form of shares in mining company Simmer & Jack Ltd and Jaganda Ltd.

But in an unusual move of responding to matters sub judice, the two vehemently denied the allegations. Ngcuka went so far as saying he would "attend any court of law" if asked to defend himself.

He rejected all the allegations

'Liar Selebi trying to create smokescreen'

"with contempt".

"I 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," he said.

Ngcuka asked why, if Selebi had this information, "did he not charge me following his alleged discovery? If Mr Selebi, or anyone else, has evidence of my criminal involvement, they must present it in court."

Pikoli's lawyer, Aslam Moosajee, also slammed Selebi's allegations, calling them "an attempt to deflect attention away from the very serious charges".

"Ms Pikoli does not own any shares and did not previously own any shares in Simmer & Jack and Jaganda."

He said, however: "Ms Pikoli owns 2% of the shares in Vulisango, in which she became a shareholder, after Gibson Njenje [a close friend of hers and newly appointed National Intelligence Agency directorgeneral] invited her to take up a shareholding in Vulisango. Ms Pikoli had no business dealings with Mr Kebble."

'He sat on the information and put the country at risk'

Vulisango is the BEE arm of Simmer & Jack.

Sipho Ngwema, Ngcuka's spokesman, charged that Selebi put the country at risk by not acting on the alleged information.

"Selebi was the head of an 180 000-strong police unit. Why did he not act on the information that he had on Bulelani [Ngcuka]? He

sat on the information and, by so doing, put the country at risk.

"What kind of a commissioner was he? How many cases did he turn a blind eye on? Now that the heat is on him he reveals things. Selebi does not have a case. He does not have a leg to stand on," Ngwema told *The Times* yesterday.

The South African Institute of Race Relations' deputy chief executive, Frans Cronje, said it was a "peculiar defence" from Selebi, who he said seemed to be reverting to "questionable tactics".

"Why, if he was such a good police commissioner, did he not see to it that Pikoli and Ngcuka were prosecuted? Our law places an onus on people who are aware of corruption to report it."

Cronje added that Selebi was "perhaps taking advantage of the current atmosphere, where there is a cloud of suspicion over senior ANC members of the past five years".

"He may be sending a warning to others to say he has information on them, and he will use it if he needs to." he added.

The state, led by Advocate Gerrie Nel, asked the court to postpone the trial until today to allow them "time to sort out administrative problems with space to store documents and trial exitibits".

Judge Meyer Joffe granted the postponement, warning the state and the defence that the trial should go off without incident today. "Unnecessary filibustering will be frowned upon."

Agliotti is expected to be the first witness called by the state today.



THE WITNESS, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2009

Appoint KZN top cop on merit, urges DA

SANDILE WAKA-ZAMISA

KWAZULU-NATAL is eagerly awaiting the appointment of its new police chief following Commissioner Hamilton Ngidi's departure last month.

Calls by opposition parties for Ngidi to stay "until after the 2010 World Cup to ensure a smoother process", were not heeded, and now Sizwe Mchunu of the KZN DA wants national Police Commissioner Bheki Cele to follow "a selection process governed by merit, competency and a keen awareness of the unique dynamics within the province", when making the appointment.

Cele is expected to announce Ngidi's successor on November 1. Five candidates are re-

portedly on the shortlist, including deputy provincial commissioner of operations Fannie Masemola, uMlazi cluster commander Commissioner Dumezweni Chiliza and Ulundi cluster commander Commissioner Mamunye Ngobeni. KZN Community Safety and Liaison department head Yasmin Bacus is also reportedly in the race.

In a statement, Mchunu said Cele should not allow politics to influence the appointment of Ngidi's successor.

Our primary concern now is that the procurement process and appointment of his successor remains free of any form of political interference.

Mchunu acknowledged Ngidi's contribution in fighting crime in the province.

BLEEDING BURGLAR: MAN WHO DIED IN HILTON WAS JUST OUT OF JAIL

STEPHANIE SAVILLE

THE man who bled to death after apparently cutting himself on a window he smashed as he tried to break into a Hilton home had recently been released from jail after serving a sentence for previous housebreakings in the Hilton area.

Inspector Joey Jeevan told *The Witness* that the man has been identified as Sibusiso Ure Zuma, aged about 30.

He was released from prison on August 8 after serving a three-year jail sentence for housebreakings in Hilton.

Weekend Witness recently reported that the man, then unidentified, cut himself badly on a window as he broke into a home in Charlotte Road, Hilton, where he stole a laptop. The owners found a pool of blood at the scene. Early the next morning, a security guard at the Hilton station heard someone screaming, but could not

find the person straightaway. When he eventually found Zuma, who had been hiding in a train, he was already dead, having suffered a large cut on his leg.

Jeevan said that after seeing the story, two informants contacted the police and named Zuma, and tipped them off about another suspect in that case.

She said Howard Ntshali (23) was subsequently arrested and has appeared in court on charges of housebreaking.

Akuphuculwe izimpilo zabantu kuyekwe ipolitiki

KUSEBENZA kwentando yabantu kuba nempumelelo uma amaqembu aphikisayo ekhuthele futhi enamagalelo azwakalayo nasezinqumweni ezithathwayo ngezwe. Injalo nje intando yabantu iba nesigqi nakakhudwana uma umphakathi uzothola nawo izindlela zokubamba iqhaza ekufinyelelweni kwezinqumo ezinqala ezithinta izimpilo zabantu.

Kuba khona imikhakha lapho abasuke benikezwe umsebenzi wokuhola kumele basebenzise amandla abo ukuthatha izingumo njengoba kwenzeka nje kulezi zinsuku uMengameli wezwe eqoka ijaji eliKhulu, uKhomishana wamaPhoyisa kuzwelonke, njalonjalo. Ngenxa yokuthi uMengameli usuke eqokwe ngokuthunywa yiqembu eliwine ukhetho, akulula neze ukuthi abantu abaqashayo belokhu bephenywa ukuthi konje bazana kangakanani naye noma basondelene kangakanani neqembu aliholayo.

Yiyo-ke nale politiki engagcina ifake okuningi esiweni ngenxa yokuthi umbusazwe ugamenxe kakhulu kokuningi okwenziwa eNingizimu Afrika. Nalapha kungesolwe muntu ngoba ukuze kube kuleli zinga kwaba yinqubo kahulumeni wengcindezelo nosekwenza ukuthemba ubuholi kube lukhuni satshe. Kwamanye amazwe athe thuthu ukudlula kokhetho kubuyisela izinto esimweni, abantu bakhohlwe kancane ukuthi uMengameli umbethe miphi imibala.

Kuvishwa-ke ukuthi lo mbusazwe usufane nesikhuvethe sona esikunakashela ngisho usuzithintithe ngayo yonke indlela yokuziphala. Njengoba kulindeleke ukuthi kuqokwe uKhomishana wamaPhoyisa KwaZulu-Natal sekugalile ukunuka kwentuthu yepolitiki amaqembu ephawula ngapha nangapha, kanti kunosi olulokhu luvimbanisile lokuthi abeqembu elibusayo bangathanda ukubona kuphethe bani kulesi sikhundla. Kungekhona-ke njalo ukuthi abanalungelo lokubeka owabo umbono. Kusuka lobu buxokoxoko nje yingoba uKhomishana uHamilton Ngidi esethi khumu.

Kuhle-ke ukubeka imibono nokukhuza ibhadi uma kukhona okungahambi kahle. Kodwa inkulu ingozi yokuthi yonke iminyakazo yokuqasha kuhulumeni ingagcina isipendwa ngepolitiki, uma kuzoba saqokwe isikhulu esisha kugaxele abombusazwe. Khona empeleni esimweni saseNingizimu Afrika nalabo abasuke behhomuzela ngezinqumo abazenzi ngoba iqembu elibusayo linawo umlando wokubeka obhululu ngale kokubhekela amakhono. Sikholelwa ekutheni lesi simo cishe siyalungiseka ngenxa yokuthi esikhathini esiningi phambilini lezo zinqumo zafaka izwe esihluthu ngokulethwa kwezidingo kubantu.

Sithi-ke ekuqokweni kozothatha izintambo kuNgidi akukhishwe ipolitiki, konke kwenzelwe ukuphucula izimpilo zabantu bakuleli.

ISOLEZWE, ULWESIBILI, OKTHOBA 6, 2009

IMeya yasoLundi ishaya intsha ngemfe iphindiwe

MHLELI: Ngibhala le ncwadi njengelungu le-IFP lasesigcemeni u-D ku-Ward 22 oLundi. Ngicela izwe lazi ukuthi imeya nosihlalo besiyingi yibona abaqala le ndaba yokuthi bazofaka othile ozosebenzisana nekhansela lethu.

Ngiyabona ukuthi bacabanga ukuthi thina asiboni, kanti cha siyayibona imikhuba yabo ngoba bazama ukugebenga umphakathi.

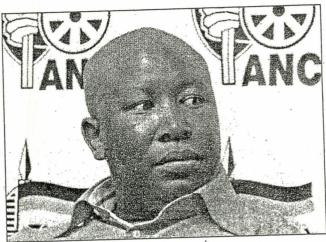
Imeya yazi kahle ukuthi lesi sikhala se-proportional representative sisuka kuphi. Owayeka kulesi sikhundla akavelanga wazithathela isinqumo sokuyeka kodwa wacelwa ukuthi ayeke ukuze kungene omunye, ngakho-ke

thina savotiswa yilokho ngoba sasithemba ukuthi ukhona ozosimela asebenzisane nekhansela kodwa akwenzekanga lokho.

Sizwakalisa ukuthi asiyi ukuyovota uma bengamfaki ngempela umuntu ozosebenzisana nekhansela ngoba ezinye zezinto azifinyeleli emphakathini ngenxa yokuthi akekho olekelelana nekhansela, wonke umsebenzi ubheke lona.

Imeya isenza intsha eyizithutha, kanti thina asizona izithutha lezi yona esibiza ngazo.

> Okhathazekile OLUNDI



Siyaziqondisela izigwegwe: ANC

UKUQONDISWA izigwegwe kwamalungu e-ANC angaziphethe kahle yinto yangaphakathi eqenjini. Lokhu kushiwo yiqembu elibusayo izolo kulandela isitatimende seFreedom Front Plus sokuthi kuthathelwe izinyathelo umholi wophiko lwentsha.

"Izindaba ezithinta i-ANC zidingidwa ngapha-kathi, akekho umuntu wangaphandle ongatshela iqembu ukuthi kumele lenzeni," kusho uMnuz Brian Sokutu okhulumela le nhlangano.

I-FF Plus ithi ifuna uFloyd Shivambu athathelwe izinyathelo ngezinkulumo zakhe ezinganambithisiseki zokucwasa ngokwebala.

UShivambu ucashunwe ephephandabeli lesiBhunu iRapport ethi iningi labelungu liyacwasa ngokwebala futhi alizange likuthokozele nokunqoba komgijimi uCaster Semenya ngoba engumuntu omnyama.

I-ANC ithe isitatimende sikaShivambu kanye nezinkulumo ezenziwa nguJulius Malema (osesithombeni) ngokucwasa ngokwebala ngesikhathi kwamukelwa umgijimi uSemenya zazingabhebhezeli ukucwasa ngokwebala.

Insika ye-FP etnekwini fake incwadi yokushiya

INTATHELI YESOLEZWE

USULE isethenjwa
esikhulu se-IFP
eThekwini kulandela
ukungqubuzana nobuholi
obuphezulu baleli qembu.
UMnuz Gladwin Ndlela
(osesithombeni), owagqama
ngesikhathi ebekwe
eqhulwini lozothatha
isikhundla sobuMeya
eThekwini uma i-IFP idla
umhlanganiso okhethweni
lomasipala, ushiye kuleli
qembu ngesonto eledlule.

Ukushiya kukaNdlela kwenzeka nje i-IFP ivele ikhungethwe yizinkinga ebuholini bayo kusuka entsheni nasezikhundleni eziphezulu.

Intsha yaleli qembu ifuna kushintshwe ubuholi, kufakwe abantu abasha ngoba ithi laba abebekhona bahlulekile bancama ngokhetho lwango-Ephreli.

UNdlela ubeyikhansela le-IFP futhi esesigungwini esiphezulu eMkhandlwini weTheku kanti kuthiwa ushiye ngoba i-IFP ithathe isinqumo sokumkhipha ekutheni ayimele esigungwini



esiphezulu ngoba ithi uyehluleka ukumelana nezinselelo ezikhona. Indawo yakhe kulo mkhandlu kuthiwa izothathwa nguNkk Thembi Nzuza, onguSihlalo wophiko lwabesifazane kuzwelonke.

UNdlela lolu daba
ubeseludlulisile njengoba
phambilini uMehluleli
u-Achmet Jappie weNkantolo
eNkulu yaseThekwini
waluchitha ethi uNdlela
wehlulekile ukubeka izizathu
zokuthi kungani kumele
iqembu lingamgudluzi kulesi
sikhundla akuso.

Ngokombiko wephephandaba i*Daily News*, ummeli kaNdlela uMnuz Noel Minfred, utshele inkantolo ukuthi waziswe ngabameli be-IFP ukuthi uNdlela wesulile ekubeni yilungu leqembu nasekubeni yikhansela ngenyanga eyedlule.

UNdlela wabeka ukuthi akazi ukuthi kungani iqembu limgudluza kulesi sikhundla futhi akakaze azithole izimpendulo zezincwadi azithumelela ubuholi obuphezulu beqembu efuna lolu lwazi.

Ngaphambi kokuthatha lesi sikhundla, uNdlela wayenguMqondisi eMnyangweni wezeMfundo KwaZulu-Natal. Okunye okwavezwa nguNdlela ukuthi i-IFP yamyekisa isikhundla esiphezulu kwezemfundo ngoba ithi izombhekelela kuleli qembu.

Ngokuqhubeka kombiko weDaily News, uMehluleli uthe kusezandleni zeqembu ukuthi lenzani ngoNdlela futhi linelungelo lokuthi ngubani elimqokela esikhundleni sokuba yilungu lekomidi eliphezulu eMkhandlwini.

Uthe ukukhala kukaNdlela ngokuthi uzolahlekelwa ezimalini ngokususwa kwakhe kulesi sikhundla ngeke kumsize ngalutho uMehluleli ngoba ngesikhathi engena eqenjini wayazi kahle ukuthi akukho nzuzo azoyithola ngakwezezimali.

Ethintwa uNdlela izolo uthe udaba selusezandleni zommeli wakhe, uMnuz Arthur Nxumalo, kodwa imizamo yokumthola ayiphumelelanga.

'Sizodedela odalimede kuleli cala'

INTATHELI YESOLEZWE

WAYENGUKHOMI-SHANA wamaPhoyisa, uJackie Selebi. nommeli wakhe basabisa ngokuthi bazodedela "amabhomu" namahlazo ngokuqhubeka kokuthethwa kwamacala abhekene nawo enkohlakalo nokuphazamisa ukusebenza komthetho.

Izolo uSelebi, isikhundla sakhe esesithathwe nguMnuz Bheki Cele, umangaze abaningi ngokuqala kwecala lakhe ngesikhathi eveza ukuthi ababengabashushisi abakhulu baxova ubufakazi ukuze abukeke engumuntu onecala.

USelebi (57) ufike enkantolo edlubhe ihembe elimhlophe elimesha isudi empunga nothayi owolintshi.

"Angazani nala macala." kusho uSelebi.

Ngaphandle kwenkantolo. usabise ngokuthi uzogega amagula ngokughubeka kwecala. Ummeli wakhe uJaap Cilliers ushive abaningi bemangele ngesikhathi efunda isitatimende sokuvikela uSelebi.

Uthe ukushushiswa kuka-Selebi kunezinhloso ezithile. Uthe uSelebi wayefuna ukuthi likaMnuz Bulelani Ngcuka kuhlakazwe oFezela bese befakwa ngaphansi kwe-SAPS ngenxa vokuthi i-Directorate



OWAYENGU-**KHOMISHANA** wamaPhovisa, uMnuz Jackie Selebi, efika enkantolo yaseGoli lapho kugulwa khona amacala akhe enkohlakalo nelokuphazamisa ukusebenza komthetho

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of Special Operations yabe isisebenzisa namandla eyayingenawo ukuphenya amacala angaphandle kwelakuleli.

Ube esedalula igama kanye nelikaMnuz Vusi Pikoli niengabantu ababethinteka ezenzweni ezaziphambana

nomthetho.

Uqale ngegama likaNgcuka wathi waxhumana nesikhulu senkampani yezimoto iHyundai nesikhulu senkampani yezimayini. uBilly Rautenbach, nabameli bakhe befuna ukuthi amacala abhekene nave esulwe.

URautenbach ungomunye wofakazi ecaleni likaSelebi. Ubuye waveza nokuthi unkosikazi walowo owayengu-Mqondisi wezokushushisa. uMnuz Vusi Pikoli, uNkk Nozuko Majola-Pikoli. wahlomula enkampanini yezimayini kaBrett Kebble.

IJaji uMeyer Joffe udlane indlebe noMshushisi uGerrie Nel emuva kokuba uNel ecele ukuthi icala lihlehle.

IJaji libadonse ngendlebe ukuthi namuhla babuyele enkantolo ngoba alifuni ukuthi kudlalwe, wathi lokho ngeke akubekezelele.

lmibuzo ngozoba nguKhomishana eKZN

S'CELO KHUZWAYO

UNGENZEKA yini ukuthi isikhundla sikaKhomishana wamaphovisa KwaZulu-Natal sigcine sithathwe ngumuntu ongaphandle kombutho wamaphoyisa futhi wesifazane?

Lona ngumbuzo osezindebeni zabantu abaningi kulesi sifundazwe njengoba kuvela ukuthi babili abesifazane asebefake izicelo kulesi sikhundla kanti nemibiko vokuthi omunye walaba nongaphandle kombutho wamaphoyisa uNkk Yasmin Bacus kungase kube nguye othatha lesi sikhundla iyaqina.

UNkk Bacus uneziqu ze-Criminology azithola eNyuvesi yaKwaZulu-Natal.

Imithombo engaphakathi ehhovisi lekomkhulu lamaphoyisa kulesi sifundazwe ipotshoza ukuthi vele kuhloswe ukuthi umuntu ozothatha lesi sikhundla esivuleke ngemuva kokuthatha umhlalaphansi kukaKhomishana Hamilton Ngidi sithathwe ngumuntu ozokhethwa ngokwepolitiki, hhayi osembuthweni wamaphoyisa njengenjwayelo.





KWESOKUDLA uKhomishana wamaPhovisa kuleli, uMnuz Bheki Cele esenguNgqongqoshe wezokuPhepha KwaZulu-Natal, benobenguKhomishana wamaPhovisa kulesi sifundazwe uHamilton Ngidi, bemi nomphathi wamaphoyisa esifundeni uLundi, uKhomishana Mamunye Ngobeni. Abanye okubikwa ukuthi bafake izicelo zalo msebenzi wokuba nguKhomishana yiPhini likaKhomishana uFannie Masemola noNkk Yasmin Bacus (abangenhla)

UNgidi ugcine emsebenzini ngomhla ka-30 Septhemba kanti kulindeleke ukuthi ihhovisi waKwaZulu-Natal likaKhomishana wamaPhoyisa kuzwelonke, uMnuz Bheki Cele, limemezele umuntu ozothatha lesi sikhundla ngomhla ka-1 Novemba. Okwamanje obambe njengoKhomishana nguKhomishana Bongani Ntanjana.

Okhulumela uCele, uNksz Nonkululeko

Mbatha, uthe uhlelo lokuqokwa kukaKhomishana omusha luyaqhubeka kanti nabantu abafake izicelo sebegalile ukubizelwa inhlolokhono.

"Konke kuyaghubeka kanti kulindeleke ukuthi uKhomishana omusha amenyezelwe ngoNovemba 1," kusho uNksz Mbatha.

Ukuhamba kukaNgidi kushiye amaqembu aphikisayo ekhala ezimathonsi ethi bekumele inkontileka vakhe velulwe kuze kudlule iNdebe yoMhlaba ka-2010.

Omunye wabantu besifazane abafake izicelo zalo msebenzi ngumphathi wamaphoyisa Olundi uKhomishana Mamunye Ngobeni nowanconywa kakhulu ngeghaza alibamba ekugcineni isimo sokuthula ngesikhathi sokhetho KwaNongoma.

Abanye okuthiwa basibheke ngabomvu lesi sikhundla ngoKhomishana Fannie Masemola oyiPhini likaKhomishana esifundazweni nomphathi wamaphoyisa esifundeni saseMlazi uKhomishana Dumezweni Chiliza.

Igembu eliphikisayo, i-DA selihlabe ikhwelo kuCele lathi kuzomele enze isiqiniseko sokuthi umuntu ozokhethwa kulesi sikhundla akangeni ngenxa vepolitiki kodwa unikezwa sona ngoba ekulungele ukusiphatha futhi enakho konke okudingeka

kuKhomishana wamaphovisa esifundazweni.

Okhulumela leli qembu ngezokuphepha komphakathi, uMnuz Sizwe Mchunu, uthe ukuhamba kukaNgidi sekusondele iNdebe yoMhlaba kubaphatha kabi kakhulu.

"Bekuzoba ngcono ukuthi uNgidi ahlale kuze kudlule iNdebe voMhlaba ukuze kube nesiginiseko sokuthi konke kuhamba kahle," kusho uMchunu.

