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iser Bheki Cele said  
organisation haq strong  
branches at Marburg, Har.  
ding and Gamalkhe, near  
Port Shepstone.

In other areas, however, the  
violence was of such an inten-  
sity that branches were not  
able to operate openly.

On Wednesday the co-  
ordinator of the ANCâ\200\231s vio-

%AI\â\200\230IVS 3ays,itâ\200\231s still strong

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Coast, Mr Vusi Mhlongo, ex-  
bressed concern at Inkatha  
plans to hold a Shaka Day  
rally at Gamalakhe, near Port  
Shepstone.

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â\200\230Maining str,

ANC on the South Coast asa  
result of the violence over the  
bast year,â\200\235 said Mr Mhlongo.

Meanwhile, Inkatha hgas  
called upon il\_',s Supporters

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lence committee on the South

to exercise restraint,

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- Mr Mandeifg

While President F.W. de Klerk is preparing to go off on a trip of vital importance to the future of South Africa, ANC leader Mr Nelson Mandela appears to have gone

off at a tangent. His as yet unexplained renunciation of

Operation Iron Fist poses the question - what game is he playing?

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Shortly before his meeting with the and the negotiations which had been government about the latest wave of held so far - the â\200\230goodâ\200\231 Mr Mandela

death and bloodshed on the Reef, he now talks so glibly about undoing. castigated the government for not Does Mr Mandela no longer accept using the full might of its well trained ' the President's bonafides when he and well equipped security forces to says the reform process is irreversible crush the violence. But then, with the and that there can be no going back announcement of Iron Fist hardly to the old days? done, he complained it was over the Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan top and went too far. Viok has committed the police force

It hardly need be said that the to impartial action in dealing with the measures which have been announc- violence. He has appealed that if ed do not come close to employing there are members of the force who the full might of the security forces as are not acting properly and people he requested. It seems that the ANC have evidence of this to submit it to and many others simply do not him. realise the awesome fire-power thatis There can be little doubt about the available to the security forces, if they government's determination to make need it, to unleash their 'full might. ~ the negotiation process succeed and

Nevertheless he charged that Iron to introduce a new dispensation in Fist was an open letter for the security this country which will be fair and just forces to kill his people and for all. demanded that they should act That is precisely why Mr de Klerk is

without force going to see Mr George Bush - to tell Earlier, when asked what he him how he hopes to establish a new thought the government should do to South Africa. He is certainly not going contain the violence he said it was not to tell him how he intends clinging to for him to tell the security forces what the past. they should do. Mr Bush and other world leaders It has been suggested that there is are encouraging Mr de Klerk to pro- a 'hidden hand', a 'third force' or- ceed as fast as possible. However he chestrating the surprise attacks on cannot succeed on his own. He taxi and train commuters and others needs the co-operation and leader- in the townships. ship of many others including Mr This in itself is a worrying aspect Mandela's. because it could be interpreted as an ~ Mr Mandela was prevented from - admission by Mr Mandela that he nor meeting Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi the ANC, is in full control or has total of KwaZulu about the violence in Na- support. : \_ ; tal by some of his more radical But it is also being asked whether a lieutenants. What is beginning to dis- third force may not be behind Mr turb people close to the government: Mandela's conflicting attitudes. is the thought that he might now be A nationalist newspaper said this prevented from playing a constructive Week there was a danger that Mr fole in the negotiation process. Mandela might be disqualifying him- Nobody said the negotiation would self as a negotiating partner. It said be easy but in spite of the hiccups that while there might still be reason along the way they were going rea- to believe that Mr Mandela personally ~ sonably well. 7 : " had good intentions, and wanted to M' : j ge Klerk's 'gg'ti- Washmgttgn - e could have crown e progress the ;naake\_a 7S oont.nbutnon,. e et government has made through ying and doing things which indi- S o ; cated the opposite and it appeared eforms and hegotation, to breaking he was doing so under pressure. out of South Africa's international .- Only days ago he also warned that lation. It is now been soured by the i \_the %}? might be forced to take creasing violence, t\_he added security steps which would undo all the good measures this has ne itated and l \_which had been achieved so far. the attitude of the ANC. s [~ This on the eve : 'rdt:q' Kif:rk's ; Let;i@k h?b@.a's lit 'f ~ departure for Washington, un- ginning of a fu tion ich was laid by thg-.guï- and a tim ed by the government Bmx @n two of th

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n ority white population of  
sÂ« .thern Africa.

Now in the 20th Century the  
game has changed, with the  
players no longer warriors but  
politicians.

One political player is Zulu  
chieftain Mangosutha Buthe-  
elezi, leader of the xatha  
Freedom Party.

Standing alongside him as  
adviser and close friend is  
. Suzanne Vos, white and Aust-  
| ralian.

Sue (right), a former Perth  
private schoolgirl and prize-  
winning journalist, has a luxur-  
ious home at Srandown, outside  
Johannesburg.

The house has security like  
Fort Knox.

â\200\234â\200\234The Inkatha Freedom  
Party has already had 150 of  
our leaders murdered in Jo-  
hannesburgana :oweto. Idonâ\200\231t  
i particularly want to become  
one of them, â\200\231â\200\231 Sue says.

How did Sue, winner of an  
American Field Service schol-  
arship, end up working to  
advance the career of a Zulu  
politician?

â\200\234In 1968, Dad decided to take  
us all to South Africa, where he  
had been invited to help over-  
come the organ rejection prob-

lems being encountered by the  
heart transplant pioneer Dr

Caristiaan Barnard,â\200\231â\200\235â\200\231 says  
Sue.

â\200\234I was lucky 2nough geta  
job almost straightaw: 7 on a  
paper called the Daily I --ws.

â\200\230â\200\234The staff was 99 per cent  
white and there was very little  
coveraze given to Â»lack or  
Indian politics.

â\200\234It was then I decided to  
concentrate on becoming a  
specialist in black politics. I  
had heard about Buthelezi, so I  
rang him and said, â\200\230You sound  
like an up-and-coming poli-  
tician, canIinterview you?â\200\231

â\200\234I formed a friendship with  
Buthelezi and with his wife  
Mzila, but iii those days I could  
not even interview him in a  
restaurant.â\200\235

Sue kept In close contact  
with Buthelezi. in 1984 he  
offered her a job as media  
officer for the paity.

â\200\230It is a South African party,  
not just a Zulu party,â\200\235 -:ays  
Sue, who has since been ap-  
pointed the partyâ\200\231s official  
spokesperson.

â\200\230â\200\230He (Buthelezi) has a high  
regard for the opinions and  
intuition of women and some-  
times says to me, â\200\230I seek your  
wisdom, my sisterâ\200\231. He likes to  
bounce ideas off me and often  
asks myopinions.â\200\235

Sue answers questions of her  
own political hopes with the  
aplomb of someone who is  
already a seasoned politician.  
â\200\230â\200\230Itis too early tosay whatrole,  
if any, I'd play in a new  
government,â\200\231â\200\231 shesays. â\200\230

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BIATHLON CHAMPION

already become an accomplished cross-country skier when she took up the sport in 19813.

It's an endurance sport, she says Kerry.

It's not only your physical ability that's tested, but also your mental ability.

You have to be cool, calm and consistent when you're shooting.

It's also a very exciting sport and the comradeship among all the overseas teams is really great.

Much of Kerry's life revolves around a gruelling training schedule. During the biathlon off-season, I do triathlons, she says. I also do dry-land training which

consists of roller-skiing, cycling, running and strength work-outs in the gym.

then our summer comes, I follow the world cup circuit overseas to Europe and Scandinavia, Finland, Sweden, Norway and maybe Canada or the U.S.

Smiling, she adds: I haven't seen a summer for about eight years!

In addition, Kerry works part-time as a clinical nurse specialist in the field of spinal injury at Melbourne's Austin Hospital.

It really helps to have the two contrasts, she says.

After racing overseas and doing interviews with the press, it's just

nice to come home and get stuck back into nursing and normality.

I think you can lose your sights if you are just a high-flying athlete all the time.

Kerry believes there is a sport for everyone.

She says: â\200\234Once you dedicate yourself, you can be one of the best in the world in that sport. The sport may be darts, it even may be snooker or ten-pin bowils.

â\200\230â\200\230People just have to get out there and try the different sports to see where their talents lie.

â\200\230â\200\230Sport definitely helps a lot of people to cope with day to day . living.â\200\235 .

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