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Amid a workersâ\200\231 May Day | stayaway that has brought. many major businesses to a virtual .

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Durban streets by chanting, Inkatha members, sup\_ptt):uu- from many areas poured into.!

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stations and taxi ranks were deserted.

In'Soweto, the East Rand and Pretoria, security force Casspirs and other
armoured vehicles were on patrol:

Black suburban trains on the Rand, in Pretoria and in Cape Town were either empty or had few

passengers. Two coaches

of a subyrban train were badly damaged by fire near Dube in Soweto.

In Durban, by 9am t.he stadium crowd was estimated at 30 000 and still

swelling, and City Police  $a\200\224$  giving the event Springbok rugby test status  $\hat{a}\200\224$  had their hands full directing early morning traffic. A spokesman said every available man was on duty on stadium routes. But at nearby Curries Fountain, venue of the rally by the rival Congress of South African Trade Unions, only a thousand had arrived by 9am, watched by police.

The huge crowd at

Kings Park was being controlled by armed and highly visible members of the KwaZulu police, and Mr Roger Gardner, general manager of the Natal Rugby Union, said security arrangements had been â\200\234exceptionalâ\200\235.

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Zulu policemen searched everybody going into Kings Park today, as par of  $a^200^231a'$  excurity clamp on all May Day meetings being held in Durban.

The atmosphere inside the stadium was highly-charged with women ululating and men responding with Inkatha chants, Chief Buthelezi was expected to address the rally later today, and introduce the leadership of the new Uwusa.:

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terer was doing a roar-

ing trade in coffee and  $a\200\234$  doughnuts.

A heavy police contin-

gent was also in force, as there have been fears of clashes between supporters of the newly

formed Uwusa union and the rival Cosatu.

Kings Park stadium can officially hold 40 000 in the stands, but with workers already taking

. up positions on the fields,

it was likely the Inkatha boast of attracting 60 000 people would be

" achieved.

The May Day stayaway call by trade

unions has been largely

heeded. Buses and trains carried far fewer passengers to work in Durban and Pietermaritzburg today.;