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Bank records reported to show money used to repay Pretoria

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By GRAHAM BARRETT,
European correspondent,
London, Sunday

Australia{\200\231s richest man, Mr
Kerry Packer, helped set up a
secret trust fund for the contro-
versial Zulu leader, Chief Man-
gosuthu Buthelezi, accordin3 to
newspaper reports in Britain
and South Africa today.

The fund is now reported to
have been used by Chief Buthelezi
to repay the South African Gov-
ernment for its secret donations to
the Zulu Inkatha movement.
These donations came to light this
month and plunged President De
Klerk's administration {\200\230in{\200\230o &
credibility crisis.

. Reports disclosing the exis-
tence of the accounts and Chief
Buthelezi's repayments to the
South African Government
appeared today in London's {\200\230Inde-
pendent on Sunday{\200\231 and Johan-
nesburg's {\200\230Sunday Times'.

The {\200\230Independent on Sunday{\200\231

reported that bank documents acquired by Its Johannesburg correspondent showed that a prominent British businessman, Mr John Aspinall, and Mr Packer set up the \$600,000 fund last year.

The same bank records are reported to show that the trust fund had been used by Chief Buthe to repay Pretoria's secret slush funds since the payments came to light.

Mr Packer, who is in England, has not so far commented on the bank documents. His staff were

The secret fund, according to the Independent on Sunday, was held in Chief Buthe's name at the First National Bank (as Barclay's former South African subsidiary is now known) in Umlazi, capital of the KwaZulu Natal homeland built some years ago with money provided by Pretoria. The account number was given as 4520040806.

A member of Inkatha's central committee, Mr Waller Felgate, confirmed to both newspapers that the repayments to the South African Government had come from the chief's personal account.

The Independent on Sunday reported that Mr Felgate had admitted that 250,000 rand (more than \$100,000) from it had been returned to the Government.

Mr Felgate was reported as saying that the account had earned the equivalent of more than \$80,000 in interest since the original deposits had been made in September last year.

The Age was unable to contact Mr Felgate or other Inkatha spokesmen today.

While Mr Packer has no previous record of being interested in

South African politics, it is known that Mr Aspinall, who owns a zoo in Kent and has a house in Cape Town, once paid for Chief Buthe to go on an around-the-world fund-raising trip. Mr Aspinall recently addressed an Inkatha rally of about 40,000 people on the

outskirts of Soweto.

Mr Packer has extensive publishing and broadcasting interests in Australia. His main assets are Channel 9 and Australian Consolidated Press, the country's largest magazine publisher, which produces such titles as the 'Australian Women's Weekly' and 'The Bulletin'. He is a partner with the Canadian publisher Mr Conrad Black in a consortium bidding for the John Fairfax Group, which publishes 'The Age', 'The Sydney Morning Herald' and 'The Australian Financial Review',

Mr Packer also has extensive investments in property, cotton growing, grazing and mining.

When it was revealed this month that Inkatha had been receiving hundreds of thousands of dollars in covert funding from the South African security forces, the Minister for Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, admitted that the money had been used to boost the standing of the more politically conservative Inkatha against its rival, the African National Congress.

The Foreign Minister, Mr Pik Botha, later admitted authorising the payments, saying: 'We did nothing wrong . . . I would do it all

; contacted by 'The Age' today.. "He said the funds were not 'for

political purposes but for an anti-sanctions campaign.

Thousands of black South Africans have been killed in clashes between supporters of Inkatha and the ANC over the past few years, with the ANC repeatedly claiming that Inkatha was receiving help from the security forces. The authorities in Pretoria deny that any of its funding was used to promote anti-ANC violence in Soweto and other townships as the power struggle between the two organisations worsens.

Mr De Klerk and Chief Buthe lezi deny any knowledge of secret payments. Mr De Klerk is expected to make a statement about the Government's funding of Inkatha on Tuesday.

The 'Independent' on Sunday's disclosure came only hours after yesterday's \$2 million wedding of

Mr Packer's daughter, Gretel, 25,
to a financier, Mr Nicholas Bar-
ham, which including a lavish par-
ty at Mr Packer's country resi-
dence, Fyning Hall, in West
Sussex.

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Packer link to secret
Buthelezi account

Mr Kerry Packer at his daughter Gretel's wedding on Sulurduv Tlm following day, newspapers
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that Mr Packer had contributed to a trust fund for the Zulu leader Chief Mangosuthu Buthele
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Call for hit squad probÃ©

@ BY PATRICK LAURENCE

A KwaZulu Police station commander, Major Owen Zama, one of 168 KZP officers accused of complicity â\200\224 direct or indirect â\200\224 in "hit squad activities" by a report submitted to the Transitional Executive Council shortly before it was superseded by the Government of National Unity, has been suspended.

was confirmed yesterday by the Ministry of Safety and Security.

Confirmation of Zama's suspension coincides with a call

by the retiring KZF Commissioner, Roy During, for a thorough investigation into allegations that at least one hit

During . . . call for thorough investigation.

squad operated from within the KZP d 1008 and 1000

During told The Star that he was unhappy with the way in which an SAP investigation into hit squad activities in the

KZP had come to an abrupt halt after the arrest of three â\200\234junior officersâ\200\235 and two evil-ians alleged to have collaborated

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- "It is obvious that these f

â\200\234youngsters didnâ\200\235t form a hit

squad on their own initiative,â\200\235

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trated at the highest levalâ\200\235
The â\200\234orchestrationâ\200\235 could
have come from â\200\234the govern-
ment, the police or a Âertain
political partyâ\200\235, he said, with-
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referring to the previoua South

Afrlaan government or the for-
mer KwaZulu government.
Asked about the attitude of /

the KwaZulu authorities to the
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During calls for
hit squad probe

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stalled investigation, Dur-
ing sald: â\200\234At no stage did
the Chief Minister say: â\200\230It
looks a bit hot. We had
better stop it""

The present Minister of
Home Affairs in the Gov-
ernment of National
Unity, Mangosuthu But-
helezi, was KwaZulu's
Chief Minister and Min-
ister of Police until Kwa-
Zulu, like all â\200\234home-
landsâ\200\235, was dissolved In

Apg the attitude of the
KwaZulu Police towards
the investigation, During
sald: "I am afraid their
approach is passive.

The three junior KZP
officers who have ap-
peared in court in con-
nection with the murder
of six people by an al-

leged hit squad are
Theminkos! Mthethwa,
Romeo Mbambo and
Geina Mkhize. Their al-
leged civilian collabora-
tors are Andile Cele and
Bernard Mhlambo,

Zama's suspension -~
which he is reportedly re-
sisting â\200\224 comes after ac-

ocusations against him for unprofessjonal and bi-ased policing over and | above those contained in the TEC report.

The report recom. mends an investigation into all 18 officers named in the report and the immediate suspension of geven of the 18 men. The seven include KZP Deputy Commissioner Sipho Mathe, and Brigadiers CP Mzimela (who ig Zama's immediate superior) and B L Ndlovu.