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 and Shaun Johnson  
 CAPE TOWN - White  
 South Africans have emphatically "closed the book of apartheid" with yesterday's landslide 68.7 percent "yes" victory in the referendum.  
 The victory by President de Klerk and the Democratic Party was hailed last night as a massive vote for nonracialism in a united country. Nearly 2 million whites voted "yes" against 875 000 "no" votes - delivering a stunning 1 million majority in favour of a negotiated future. vta 00653.  
 The result was 192 to 186 "yes" votes. 875 619 "no" votes and 5 142 spoilt ballots. The "no" campaign drew 31.3 percent of the vote.  
 "The message of this referendum is: that this is the real birthday of the real new South African nation." a jubilant Mr de Klerk said in his victory speech on the steps of Tuynhuys. Around him stood DP leader Dr Zach de Beet and members of the Cabinet. While a crowd of ecstatic supporters cheered and sang "Happy birthday" to Mr de Klerk, who turned 50 yesterday. Mr de Klerk said at a subsequent press conference:  
 'I've managed to send out a powerful message to all South Africans ... that those who have the power in this country must accept that the imperfect constitution really means it when they say we want to share power.  
 "We want it to be fair and equitable."  
 Mr de Klerk added. 'I'll refer to the referendum more than the 2nd of February 1990. has changed and will change the face of South Africa."  
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 An astonishing feature of the  
 referendum was the extraordi-  
 nary interest it generated  
 among voters.  
 Over 2.3 million of the coun-  
 try's 3.29 million registered  
 voters went to the polls. achiev-  
 ing a record 85 percent poll.  
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 Town and the eastern Cape de-  
 livered huge majorities, turning  
 a win into a landslide.  
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 age poll was 04 and the "yes"  
 vote 18 percent. in Durban the  
 poll was 80.6 percent and the  
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 Cape Town the poll was  
 88.3 percent and the "yes" vote  
 84.3 percent of the total.  
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 ting the English vote - which  
 stuck firmly by negotiations.  
 Dr de Beer said his party had  
 played "a nut job" in the refer-  
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 that the DP had helped to  
 achieve the "excellent" result.  
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 democracy end for South Africa  
 to become a welcome member  
 of the community of nations.  
 ANC president Nelson Man-  
 dela said there was "great re-  
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 source of encouragement to all  
 South Africans who think in  
 terms of the country as a  
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 whole." Whites should not fear  
 democracy he added.  
 At a press conference last  
 night Mr de Klerk struck a com-  
 placitatory note towards the de-  
 feated right wing. 'He appealed  
 to 110" voters to accept the  
 clear mandate for negotiations,  
 and again urged them to join  
 constitutional rule.  
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NEW DELHI. - India

yesterday welcomed the victory of President De Klerk in the historic referendum.

In a special message to Mr De Klerk. Indian President R Venkataraman said: "India welcomes your historic win in the referendum and we look forward to accepting South Africa in the mainstream of the world's democracies." Asian News International (ANI) reported,

The Indian leader went to South Africa to congratulate the people of South Africa for having made a worthy decision. India congratulates SA on its historic win and for having decided to give political reforms a chance. Indian TV last night ran the story of Mr De Klerk's victory as its first lead. The people of India were glued to TV and radio sets awaiting the outcome of the referendum.

In its commentary, the TV report said: "This is an historic day for South Africa and India is overjoyed with Mr De Klerk's victory."

India's chief government spokesman expressed the reaction of the Indian Government

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"fully supportive of President De Klerk's historic victory". The spokesman told ANI that India is looking forward to developing close and warm ties with a new South Africa, which is our maritime neighbour.

Earlier this month, India had decided to open airlinks with South Africa, after having already implemented the opening up of people-to-people contact with South Africa and the doing away of most economic sanctions. Sanctions should soon be lifted, says Jacob Zuma, the South African

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The committee said the  
outcome would give all  
leaders in South Africa a  
positive sign that the way  
was clear for the iutute  
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"It confirms that South  
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