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A GROUP of five top South African businessmen, led by Mr Gavin Relly, chairman of the mining group Anglo-American, . will meet the leaders of the banned Afrlcan National Congress for talks on South Africa's future in Lusaka today.

The meeting will be followed at the weekend by a gathering in Maputo, Mozambique, of Six black African leaders of neighbour-ing states to review events in South Africa.

The Lusaka meeting will take place in defiance of the South African Government i which has said publicly it opposes any contacts with organisations committed to its ' violent overthrow.

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Six black African leaders to hold summit

The meeting is likely to discuss ways of ending South Africa's political and economic crises. In addition to Mr Relly the other busi-nessmen reported to be attending are Mr Tony Bloom of the Premier Group, Mr Mike Rosholt of Barlow Rand, Mr Chris Ball from Barclays Bank and Mr Hugh Murray, publisher of the prestigious business magazine, Leader-ship S.A.

Mr Oliver Tambo, president of the ANC, the main nationalist organisation tight-ing white rule of South Africa, will head its delega-tion.

ANC oilicials say their participation retlects the organisation's policy of talk-ing to all sectors of the South African community who favour the abolition of the eountrys apartheid policy of racial segregation.

No agenda has been set for today's discussions, intended to open the way for further contacts which both sides hope could ultimately lead to negotiations between the Pretoria Government and the ANC and other black South African leaders.

The meeting of the African Frontline states' leaders is to be attended by the Presi-dents of Botswana, Mozam-bique, Angola, Tanzania and Zambia and Prime Minister

Robert Mugabe of Zimbabwe.
The leaders are expected to
discuss the possible impact
on their economies of
western economic sanctions
against Pretoria.
With the exception of
Tanzania and Angola, all the
frontline states are substanti-
ally dependent on South
Africa, primarily for tramp
port.
The frontline states sup-
port economic sanctions
against South Africa despite
deep teats within their busi- .
ness communities that these
will have seriously adverse
effects on their own econo-
mies.
Mr Julius Nyerere, the
retiring Tanzanian President,
who will be attending what
is likely to be his final fr'ont-
line summit, has called for a
western-funded airlift should
South Africa retaliate against .
the frontline states by impos-
ing reprisal sanctions.
Western diplomats in
Harare say the summit will
also discuss the civil war
inside Mozambique following
Maputo's statement that its
forces, in co-operation with
Zimbabwean paratroopers,
overran the main stronghold
of the Mozambique Resistance
Movement (MRM) last week.
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