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that SA Defence Foxce

and SA Police mem-

bers had been present

in Boipatong during

the June 17 massacre

which claimed more

than 40 lives.

A witness who Mr lus-

tice Riclud Goldstone

ruled could only be iden-

tified as Ms B. told the

tour-men committee that

her house in the township

had been attacked by

about 200 armed men.

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able to enter the house

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ing. There had been gun- 1 '

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When Ms B had looked

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had seen about 200 men

wearing white headbands.

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tnon in Black townships.

llw Casspir had later dri-

ven away.

Another witness. Mr

Ishmael Mahasella. told

the commission he had

been doing shift work at

the Cape Gate Factory in

the township on June 17.

He had knocked off

early because of warnings

of pending trouble in the

township.

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the workers had gatheted

at the fedory gate to walk

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ned them that "the Zulu's

from KweMadeln were

attacking".

lltey entered the town-

ship as one group but

when shots wete tired at

them by a group of about

200 men, they had run

back to the factory.

They had seen an SADF vehicle pausing them and had stopped it. "We asked them to accompany us into the township. They said their vehicle was not bullet proof but they promised to try and stop the shooting. -

However, the vehicle then headed towards KwaMadala Hostel, not the township. It returned accompanied by an SADF armoured vehicle. The driver of the armoured vehicle told the workers nothing was going on in the township, but while the driver was speaking they could hear the sound of gunshots and breaking glass. Mr Mahasella said.

"He also said that the SADF could not arrest anyone, but only take them out of the township."

The SADF driver then escorted White workers who had travelled in their car, out of the area. Afterwards ambulances arriving on the scene agreed to take the workers into the township to help clear barricades. They had helped the 'es in a queue-to-house tench for the injured.

Mr Mahasella said police had tried to prevent them entering a home in which two dead children and an injured mother lay.

"They said to us that we must go home and that they would take care of the situation. but we were not satisfied with that." -

Mr Anton Mostert, counsel for the SADF, said Mr Mahasella's account more or less supported the SADF's account of the evening in question with a few minor differences.

He reiterated the SADF had not been in any way involved in the massacre and that the only unit present in the township had been the Val Commando, an active citizen unit charged

with guarding lwor.

The Committee of the Commission is currently heating evidence on allegations of security force complicity in the messa- etc.

It has heard seven wit- 5 new. all of whom have i alleged security forceei and lot White men were 3 present in Boipatong f -township at the time of ' the attack.

The Committee will continue to sit this week. Today the police will submit a 26-page document outlining the police version of events on the night of June 17. The document was compiled by the officer who is investigating allegations of police complicity in the massacre, Maj Christo Davidmn 1

Meanwhile. eighty-two i residents of KweMadala -Hostel near Boipatong appeared in the Vender, bijlpatlt Magistrate's Court yesterday - on charges of public violence and murder in connection with the massacre.

They were not asked to pitted , ; ,

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TAC to meet" govt
for high-level talks
THE second high-level
talks between the gov-
ernment and the Pan
Africanist Congress etc
imminent.

The PAC yesterday
announced it was sched-
uled to meet senior gov-
ernment officials in lo-
hannesburg today in
preparatory talks for the
summit.

At a news confer-
ence. PAC vice-presi-
dent Dikgang Mose-
nelte said there were
greater safeguards now
than when the negotia-
tion process started".

United Nations ex-
ecutive-general Boutm-
Bounce Gheli has pro-
posed sending 30 UN
observers to constitu-
tional talks. halted by
the African National
Congress pullout in
June over violence.

Mr Moseneke said in
the forthcoming summit
the PAC would push for
an alternative to the Co-
desa concessions on a
constituent assembly
and the continued in-
volvement of the inter-
national community.

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"The PAC believes
that recent gains made
at the United Nations
can be eroded by re-
starting talks on false
premises." Mr Mose-
neke said.

On a constituent as-
sembly. Mr Moseneke
said: "We have reason
to believe the demand
will be met. A conces-
sion Irillbeveryltnpon-
am."

He said at the recent
UN Security Council
meeting - which was
attended by Foreign Mi-
nister Pik Botha -- the
PAC had achieved
agreement on neutral
international involve-
ment, "halted further
erosion of sanctions".
and opened the possibil-
ity of a new negotiating
forum.

The announcement of
the talks with the gov-
ernment comes in the

wake of the ANC Inns
action umpeign end the
ANC's insistence the
government has not met
Its 14 demands deliv-
ered after the Boipe-
tong meme.

The summit will be
the second meeting be-
tween the PAC end the
government this year.

The two sides met in
April in Nigeria.

The PAC suspended
its involvement in nego-
tiations in November
last year when it pulled
out of Codes: prepare-
tory talks. accusing the
ANC of melting I be-
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its functions. the agenda
was "fractured" - too
many issues were on the
table and thete had
been no neutrality.

"It must follow that
the new structure must
be purged of these de-
fects." Mr Moseneke
said. 'lWe must wotk
forward to an Iltetne-
tive forum that will
bring democracy to our
land." - Slpl.

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Alexandra masSacre:

Four men acquitted

FOUR men accused of

killing 13 people and

wounding 17 others dur-

ing I vigil in Alexandra. in

March last yeax. were nc-

quitted in the Rand Slit-

preme Court yesterday.-

Mr Justice H Daniels

found there was insuffi-

cient evidence to convict

Mr Gibson Mbsta (28).

his brother. Mr Christw

phet Mbtltta (30). Mr De-

rek Maiosi (21). and Mr

Petrus Buthetezi (3!). on

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13 counts of murder, 17

counts of attempted mur-

der and the possessiun of

illegal (items and am-

munition.

The men. all Zuiu-

speuking residents of

Alexandra. were found

not guilty on all the

charges. and accordingly

discharged.

Mr Mniosi. Mr Bathe-

lezi and the Mbata broth-

ers originally appeared in

connection with a brutal

attack on a group of

moumets holding a vigil

for Mrs Jane Ramokgola

of Alexandra. on March

27.1991.

Mrs Ramokgola, who

was of Swazi origin, was

t fatally wounded by three

unidentified gunmen on

March 11. and died at the

Knlnfong Hospital on

Msrch 20.

Dating the vigil, a

group of men carrying

various firearms. includ-

ing an AK-47 rifle. open-

ed tire on the mourners.

killing 13 people and

wounding 17 others.

"Defeneeless people

were literally moved

down." Mr Justice Dan-

iels seid.

Mr Justice Daniels

said, however. that the

testimonies of the 13 eye-

witnesses who positively

identitied the four news-

ed as the killers. had been

"inconsistent and unre-

liable".

The judge said the

mourners had fled into a

dark bedroom. where the

attackers had then open-

ed tire. The only light in

the house was the kitchen light, 1 single, yellow 1 bulb.

Mr Justice Daniels said it was "a physical impossibility" for the witnesses to have seen the face of their attackers. If the light from the kitchen would have been shining on the back of the gunmen.

The attackers could not have been visible for more than 1 minute. While gunsmoke in the room would have further obscured their identities.

The judge also stated that the three identity plates at which Mr Mejsi.

Mr Buthezi and the Mbata brothers were identified had been "nothing but a Charade".

Mr Justice Daniels said police 'had held three identity plates. on March 29. May 20. and July 5.

During this period the. witness had appeared in court seven times. but "all and sundry to see".

The judge said he found that several of the witnesses had been allowed to discuss the case among themselves and "compare notes". and that this had been "highly irregular" and "fatal to the results of the trial".

Information was also "surreptitiously leaked" to witnesses by police. the judge stated. adding that Mr Gibson Mbata had been described to at least one witness by members of the investigating team. Mr Justice Daniels further found that the police investigation into the massacre "leaves much to be desired".

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Goldstone: Press

report incorrect

MR Justice Richard

Goldstone yesterday ruled that certain aspects of a Sunday Times newspaper report on last week's proceedings of the Goldstone Commission had been incorrect, and ordered the newspapers editor to publish the correct facts in the next edition.

Mr Justice Goldstone's ruling follows an objection lodged by counsel for the SADF. Mr Anton Mostert, who said the report in the latest edition of the Sunday Times "contained blatant falsehoods".

Mr Mostert told the Goldstone Committee, hearing evidence on the June 17 Boipatong massacre, that the reported claim that the SADF had displayed hostility in probing by the Commission, was incorrect. "There was no such hostility. We made the fullest possible disclosure."

He asked Mr Justice Goldstone to call Sunday Times editor Ken Owen to appear before the Commission and explain. After consideration of the report, Mr Justice Goldstone ruled this would be unnecessary. "However the Committee does request the editor of Sunday Times to publish the correct facts as set out with appropriate prominence in the next edition of the Sunday Times."

Mr Justice Goldstone described as misleading the headline on the front page of the newspaper which read: "Judge urges SADF inquiry".

He also denied the SADF had reacted with "hostility" to probing by the Commission as stated in the newspaper report. Mr Justice Goldstone said the SADF had informed the committee on Wednesday that it was prepared to make two documents requested by

the ANC available only to himself.

However, "the Chairman refused to receive dDCumcnts' which were not open for perusal by III the members of the committee.

ttOn the afternoon of August 7 counsel for the SADF infomed the Committee that the documents were availnbte for all the members of the Cummittee."

The Committee later ruled that the documents were irreievant to the inquiry and they were returned to SADF counsel.

Mr Justice Goldstone said reference in an editorial on Page 16 of the Sunday Times that the SADF was trying "brazenly to withhold information from the Commission " was also incorrect. - Sapa .

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would not subject itself to

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APLA said from Harare.

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OK for SADF, SAP probe

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among Blacks.

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backed this position at the
most recent caucus delib-
erations and agreed that
restructuring would
necessitate "getting all
the skeletons out of the
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getting to the moral high
ground on this issue" a
senior govenmment tource
said "The wraps just
have to come off. "

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investigation by the Gold-
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the SA Defence Force.

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on members at the police
should also be addressed
thoroughly. There is
clearly a planned attempt
to destabilise the police.
The NP added that it
organisations such as MK
and APLA had nothing to
hide. they should also
welcome the investiga-
tion.

llw NP expressed its
apptedation to the SAP

lot it: world and sympathy
for thus: who were killed
in the line of duty.

Dr Zach de Beer.

Democratic Party leader
and former Codesa manage-
ment chairman. Said
he welcomed the tone of
the UN actions.

Thete has been so
much misrepresentation
by various parties that in-
ternational monitoring
has become essential
Negotiations must be
resumed because there is
no other way of bringing a
new constitution into be-
ing.

"The Not: and the
ANC have gone so far in
some time may well be
the only way back to the
trust we need so badly."
said Dr De Beer.

the Security Council is
expected to meet this
week. when it will give
formal endorsement to
the proposals set out by
Mr Boutros-Ghali at the
weekend. These are
based on a 20-page report
by Mr Vance.

It is also likely to call
on African nations to
assist in identifying ANC
camps and arms caches in
their countries, so as to
enable the Goldstone
Commission to investi-
gate all armed units active
within South Africa.

The other important as-
pect of the Security Coun-
cil decision is expected to
be an endorsement of the
recommendation that all
parties should return to
Codesa as soon as possi-
ble.

After the deadlock at
Codesa 2 there were sug-
gestions that a new nego-
tiation body would have
to be formed. The inter-
national pressure now
seems to be on the parties
to return to Codesa. In-
stead In a more streamlined
format and begin where
Codesa 2 left off.

This means that the
existing spadework done
within Codesa and the
broad range of agree-
ments already reached
will not need to be repeat-
ed. Instead the new Co-
desa will seek solutions to
the outstanding prob-

lems.
Codesa sources hinted
yesterday that talks could
well be under way by the
end at the month. But it
was added. they would
inevitably have to start
with a face-to-face meet-
ing to defuse the hostility.
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there was no objective

reason for the KwaZulu

Police to be investigated

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"It is the fact that

any investigation of the

KZP is on the false ac-

cusations against the KZP

as well as on the police

itself."

Investigations would be

a waste of time and

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fact. laid the IF? leadet.

The KZP was larger

than the combined police

forces of Lesotho and Bo-

tswana. and "I would not

like the K2? to be judged

by the actions of any indi-

vidual policeman or

policewoman who may

have acted wrongly".

"Any inquiry would

have to bear in mind that

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ced up any wrongdoing

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The APLA spokesman.

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In Johannesburg the

PAC's director of Infor-

mation and publicity. Mr

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sought to address viol-

ence and intimidation.

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Agenda, Dr Treumicht
said. in the final analysis.
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originally anticipated.
Dr Treumicht said the
yet to be defmed Afrika-
net homeland would have
to be sovereign and its
drawn in consultation
with the govenmment and
neighbouring people.
Referring to the 30V-
ernment' s policy support-
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emmts Dr Treumicht
said the CP could nego-
tiate on this issue.
However, should more
than one region be under
discussion. these regions
should be detennined on
an ethnic basis and consti-
tuted as states under their
own sovereign govem-
ments.
The CP leader rejected
the incomoration of a
speaking homeland into
the proposed Afriklner
state as being "Impacti-
cal".
He also said he tejeeted
any negotiations with the
African National Con-
gress because the organi-
sation was multi-ethnic
and not representative of a
single people.
Dr Treumicht evaded
questions about a threat-
ened split in his party by
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Donit enter talks

THE Conservative Party's dissident MPs should not sell out Whites by entering mainstream negotiations. Hemigte Nutc-Itale Party leader Jaap Matais said last night. Addressing about No people at a public meeting in Roodepoort, he cautioned dissident CP MP Andries Beyers:

Stay away: To become involved in negotiations is an act of treason against Whites. " .

Mr Murals was speaking in support of Mr Oscar Hartung, the HNP's candidate in tomorrow's Florida by-election, mused by the resignation of Finance Minister Bar-end du Plessis.

Mr Marni: said the by-election would indicate the validity of the referendum outcome.

"People" were scared into voting yes, and this time the government can't use the mass media to the same extent to influence the outcome."

Mr Mani: said it would be impossible for the CP to "tighten the National Party and the ANC on the outside if they are talking peace on the inside. That's why you can't negotiate."

President F W de Klerk could not deny that the government was gradually transferring power to the African National Congress and the Communists.

Mr De Klerk had guided CP MPs under Mr already committed treason against White people. Mr Matais said

He said the government should reinstitute a state of emergency in order to restore law and order, and should stop taxing Whites: in order to spend the money on Blacks.

He said the members' upliftment programme for govern. .

Pro' I Blacks - caused economic distortions and stagnation. "Nowhere in the world

have Blacks been able to
uplift themselves to the
im IEVEI 61 Whites You can
only achieve parity by
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Mr Murals also wanted
to know why South Attica
hid no Blyack Olympic
swimmets

He cited a news cutting
that Black: tended to sink
because of their heavy
bone structure -Sapa
Andries Beyer: who re-
cently rocked the CP boat
with his support for nego-
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The Conservative Party
in the Pretoria City Coun-
cil yesterday called on
former Transvaal CP
Youth Council leader and
Pretoria City Coundltor..
Mr Gerdus Kruger, to te-
sign his seat in the coun-
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M: ng er and eight
other Youth Council
members resigned from
the C? on Friday after-
noon in the belief'e that
the rebel C? group of Mr
Andn'es Beycts would
also resign.

When the diftetenee
between the rebel group
and CP leader Dr Andries
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the group refused to with-
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chiming that the rebels
would eventually resign
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The CP MP for Pre-
toria West, Mr Joseph
Chirole said in Pretoria
yesterday Mt Kruger
muSI resign and test his
new views with the electo-
rate of his ward in Pre-
toria West:

"This is the demand of
ethical pulilicll action."
he said.

Mr Chirole believed that
Mt Kruger: political
views were now closet to
that of the National Party
which was in direct eon-
tnst with the mandate he
had received from the
electorate in Ward 2.

He invited all CP sup-
porters in Mr Kruger's
ward who had problems
with the city council; to
contact the CP office in
Pretoria West where their
ms would be taken

up by other CP representatives in the city council
Mt Kniget has confirmed that in the interim he
would sit in the city council as Independent.
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