







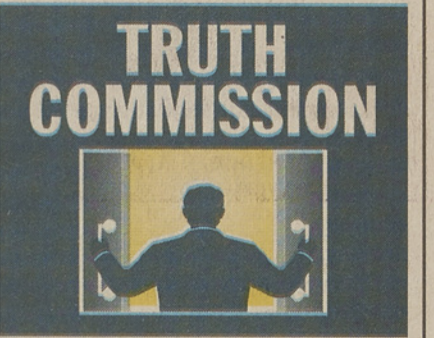
First IFP witness recalls killing by UDF supporters

AN INKATHA Freedom Party leader and councillor has described to the Truth Commission how he was repeatedly stabbed and left for dead by United Democratic Front supporters who later burnt his house and four cars. Silulani Nicholas Miya was the first IFP member to testify at the commission's human rights violations committee hearings in Durban this week. He told the commission that in September 1989 he had tried in vain to save the life of a young boy who had run to his house in a township just north of the city. The boy had come to him for help because he was a prominent IFP leader and councillor. "They stabbed at him. He fell. He was dizzy and tried to run again. They stabbed and stabbed and stabbed at him," Mr Miya said. Because the boy's body had been left lying in the street for several hours, he had tried to negotiate with the UDF supporters who had murdered him to remove the body. But his attempts had been rebuffed and he had been attacked. "I was stabbed by lots of people and I fell. I thought I was going to follow the other guy. "As I was lying there unconscious, two people put me in the street. I was just fortunate I managed to get up again and walk to my home." Two days later his home had been petrol-bombed and completely destroyed, and four of his cars had also been burnt out in an arson attack. There were loud murmurs, mutterings and some laughter when Mr Miya testified that the petrol-bombs had initially failed to ignite in his home because he was using traditional medicine to protect it. Commission chairman Desmond Tutu threatened to clear the hall if the audience did not keep quiet. "Don't interrupt - we are here to listen to everyone's story," he said. In his evidence Mr Miya did not identify which organisation he belonged to or who his assailants were. But in response to a question from commissioner Dumisa Ntsebeza, he said he had been an IFP chairman and councillor in his township. "I am not hiding that ... I want to explain it clearly. It wasn't the ANC fighting Inkatha, but it was the UDF, and the UDF has been closed down now," he said.

Tutu hails Inkatha's support for hearings

Party urges members to testify

THE Truth Commission has been "thrilled" to discover that the allegedly negative attitude of the Inkatha Freedom Party to its proceedings are a misconception, says chairman Desmond Tutu. He was remarking on disclosures by IFP secretary-general Ziba Jiyani during a television debate with commission deputy chairman Alex Boraine. Dr Jiyani had said that although the IFP was unhappy with the composition of the commission and the way it had been set up, it was encouraging its members to testify and apply for amnesty.



Reports from JOHN YELD in Durban

Speaking at the start of yesterday's hearings at the Jewish Club here - when an IFP leader and councillor gave evidence for the first time - Archbishop Tutu said the commission had been "very anxious" about such a significant player as the IFP not co-operating with the commission. "This is one time when it is nice to be wrong, and I'm glad we've been proven wrong. "Up until now we've been under the mistaken apprehension that the IFP was not co-operating with the commission. "The IFP secretary-general said that, far from this being the case, the opposite was true and they were actively encouraging members of that party to come before the commission, and they were especially keen that its members who were behind bars should apply for amnesty." Archbishop Tutu said that the commission had been "quite surprised" by

Dr Jiyani's comments. "Some of the public pronouncements of the [IFP] leaders had given the impression that the commission wasn't exactly their blue-eyed boy," he said. The commission would still try to meet IFP leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi, "in line with our policy of meeting political leaders". Told that Dr Jiyani had later issued a statement clarifying the IFP's position and that this had included reference to the "selective" use of the commission, Archbishop Tutu said he had not seen the statement. "But no party can avoid public scrutiny once it uses any one of the committees of the commission," he said. "It is in the interests of all parties to tell their story. We are keen to stress that we are meant to tell the whole story."



SEARCH FOR TRUTH: Joyce Mananki Seipei, mother of murdered teenage activist Stompie, at the Truth Commission yesterday with her daughter Elizabeth. Mrs Seipei told the commission of her anguish at having to identify her son's body. Stompie was 14 when he died after being assaulted by members of the Mandela United Football Club in Soweto. Winnie Madikizela-Mandela was later found guilty of being involved in his kidnapping.

Mozambique seeks probe Son died after AWB attack on bus

MAPUTO. - The Truth and Reconciliation Commission has been asked by a Mozambican human rights body to probe atrocities committed in Mozambique by South Africa during the apartheid era. The Mozambican Legal Office for Human Rights said the parcel bomb murder of Ruth First, wife of the late Housing Minister Joe Slovo, was one of many cases to be investigated. - Sapa

talked about the shooting and she had heard that those involved were AWB members. "I only heard they had been arrested, and that was the end of the story. There was no court case. "We went to Durban police to report, but nothing happened after that." Commission deputy chairperson Alex Boraine told Mrs Mbatha that there had been a big court case, but she told him she had not been called. Dr Boraine said: "I think I should at least tell you, because one of the tragedies we've listened to over the past four weeks is that victims are so seldom ever told what's happened. "Four men were arrested, found guilty and are now in jail. You didn't know that?" Mr Mbatha said: "No." Dr Boraine said one of the commission's staff members would provide her with more details later. One of the KwaZulu Natal-Free State members of the Human Rights Violations Committee, Virginia Gcabashe, told Mrs Mbatha the AWB men had applied for amnesty and asked her what she wanted from the commission. Mrs Mbatha asked for assistance to help educate her two young grandchildren, Stanley Mbatha's children.

Woman who hid MK trio tells of shocks

AN ELDERLY woman has told the commission SA Defence Force soldiers made her lie on the ground as three young uMkhonto weSizwe soldiers she had been sheltering in her house were killed by a grenade explosion. Umlazi resident Tryphina Jokweni, 72, who was 63 at the time of the shoot-out in 1987, was introduced to the commission as the first woman combatant to testify to its human rights violations committee. She told the commission she had been detained and tortured after the incident. While being taken to the police station, she had been tightly handcuffed and a bag had been placed over her head. "I didn't know where I was. I couldn't distinguish between day and night. "These police did all the cruel things to me. They put an electric shock all over me. "I collapsed, I was urinating. I had no food, no water - the only thing I wanted was water." Mrs Jokweni said she had been wearing only a thin nightdress when arrested, and she had not been allowed a change of clothing. "I had urinated in my nightdress and they said to me I was smelling ... "They said, 'We're going to beat you in a way that the doctors won't be able to recognise, you dirty old woman.'" She had not been able to see without her glasses, and at one stage her hand had been handcuffed behind her for three days. "I said, 'God, if you could let me die!'" Mrs Jokweni told the hearing. In her written statement to the commission, Mrs Jokweni said she had been constantly hit on the head and electric shocks had been administered to her ears, stomach, feet and private parts. She named one of the men responsible for interrogating and torturing her.

ANC 'created an orphan' with blast

"IT'S hard, growing up without brothers and sisters, without parents - I don't want to see other kids, especially today, end up an orphan like me."

This was the statement to the Truth Commission from 18-year-old Kasavan "Terrence" Rengasamy, whose parents, Anamalai ("Daya") and Leelavathi, were killed by a bomb blast on the Durban's Esplanade on April 3 1984.

Another person died in the blast and several were injured. Mr Rengasamy said he would like to know who had planted the bomb. "I would forgive him if he told me why he did it," he said.

The bomb had definitely been planted by the African National Congress, Mr Rengasamy's brother, radio journalist Gary Govindasamy, told the commission yesterday.

Mr Govindasamy, who took Terrence into his own family after the death of his parents, told the commission that after the blast he had made media statements condemning the then P W Botha government and putting the legal blame for the deaths on that government. "I called on them to unban the ANC and other banned organisations and to allow all exiles to return home, and I also called for the release of Nelson Mandela and other political leaders.

"I called on the Nationalist government to begin talks earnestly to stop the carnage which was at the time engulfing the country. "I said we could not allow innocent people to be killed by these types of atrocities ... I was branded a traitor and a betrayer ... I was completely ostracised by my family." Mr Govindasamy was also highly critical of the ANC. "The ANC knows full well that they planted the bomb on the Esplanade and that they refused to accept responsibility because of certain statements I made," he said. "The ANC has a duty to accept responsibility for the blast - they created an orphan in the name of Terrence sitting here by me." The ANC had played no part in his brother's funeral. "They never offered us any money, no sympathy card ... no nothing. "It is sad that even people who are now in parliament and people who know us so well failed to arrive at the funeral." Asked by the commission what he expected from it, Mr Rengasamy said he would like a hall or something similar to be named after his parents. "And probably any funds you should give to the needy people, like Stompie Seipei's mother, who needs it," he added.

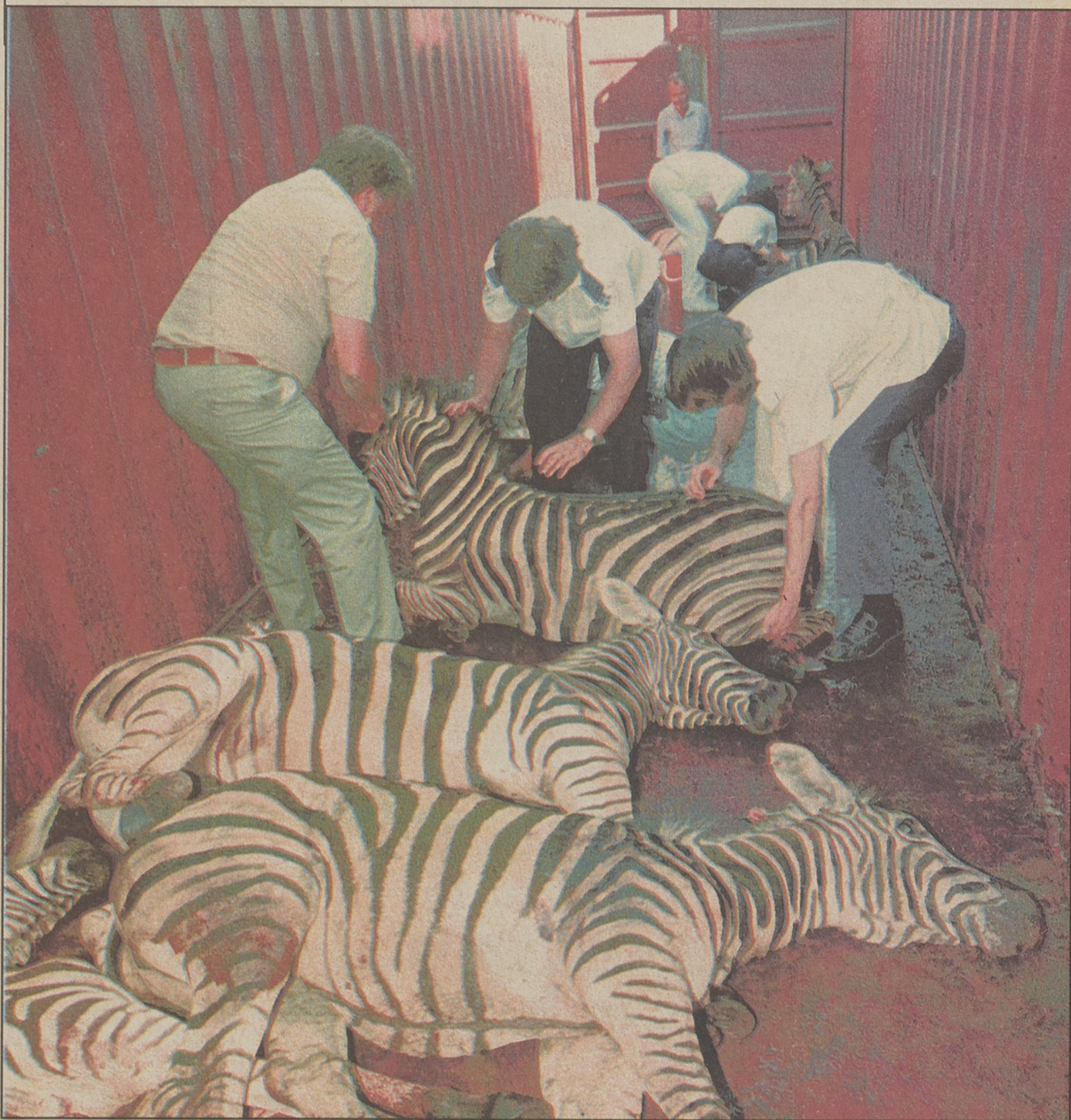
ANC call to East Rand victims

VOSLOORUS. - The Vosloorus branch of the African National Congress on the East Rand has called on victims of human rights violations in the area to testify before the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. A spokesman for the branch said they believed few from the Vosloorus area had attended the commission's recent hearings in Gauteng. This was due either to the limited time allocated for the hearings or a lack of understanding about the advantages of giving evidence. - Sapa.

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**FIRST AID:** Treating injured and drugged zebras in a container in the Durban harbour are (from the left) Mr Ricardo Ghiazza, the animals' owner, Dr Louween Edwards, a veterinary surgeon, Mrs Jacqui Dewar, a SPCA inspector, and Mr Bruce Manning, SPCA chief inspector.

# Eight export zebras hurt on trip to coast

The Argus Correspondent

EIGHT zebras being exported in a shipping container had to be drugged on arrival in Durban harbour so that they could be treated for injuries received in an accident.

Harbour workers were horrified when they saw pools of blood on the floor of the container soon after the zebra had arrived in the city.

But the zebras' injuries were not as severe as was first feared and a veterinary surgeon who treated them, Gerry

Retief, said it was unlikely any of them would have to be put down.

"But some of the injuries are quite serious and those zebra will take a long time to recover," Dr Retief said.

Other zebras had only slight injuries, but they also had to be drugged so that they could be fully examined by veterinary surgeons.

The zebras' owner, Ricardo Ghiazza, said they had been injured during their journey to the coast from his quarantine station at the Hart-

beestpoort Dam.

He said the zebras had apparently kicked a sliding partition in their container off its railings and had then injured their lower legs on the dislodged metal.

"It happened during the night and the attendant who travelled with them did not see the damage," he said.

Mr Ghiazza said the animals would be treated for their injuries and then taken back to his quarantine station.

He said the legs of some of the animals might bear unsightly scars that would make them unsuitable for export.

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"Then I will probably release them on my game farm."

Mr Ghiazza said he had exported many animals over the years and had never before had such a tragic accident.

He said the zebra were part of a consignment of animals, including wildebeest and eland, that were to be shipped to Togo in West Africa.

They were destined for the game farm of Togo's president, General Gnassingbe Eyadema.

## SA team plans assault on Everest tomorrow

Staff Reporter

THE South African Everest expedition is expected to begin its second attempt on the summit of the world's highest mountain early tomorrow, after winds of up to 140 km/h forced it to turn back late yesterday.

The members of the first summit team are Ian Woodall, Bruce Herrod, Cathy O'Dowd and four Sherpas who are professional climbers - one whom has been up the mountain three times.

They were forced back from their Camp Four at about 8 000m by the bad weather.

## Winnie loses air charter appeal

BLOEMFONTEIN. - Winnie Madikizela-Mandela has been refused leave, with costs, by the Appeal Court here to appeal against an order to pay the Forster Webb Air Charter Company more than R53 600 with interest and costs.

The case arose from the charter of a Lear jet on June 1, 1993 to convey passengers from Lanseria Airport near Johannesburg to Luanda in Angola and back to buy diamonds. Judgment against Ms Madikizela-Mandela was given in the Rand Supreme Court on November 15, 1995. - Sapa.

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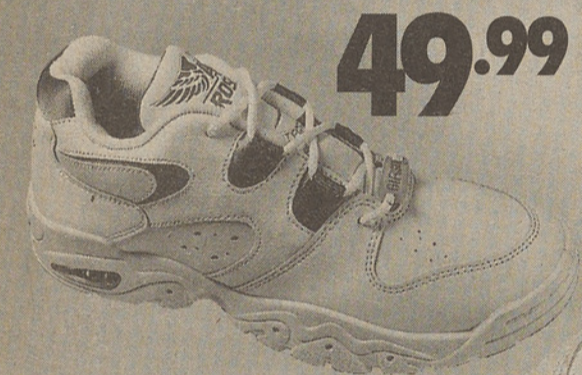
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# UCT is back on international map

Schools of art and architecture are singled out

Education Reporter

THE University of Cape Town is proving that international interest in its academic programme is alive and well.

In the Vice-Chancellor's Report of 1995, Stuart Saunders says UCT students have enjoyed significant recognition and acceptance in the international community, following the demise of apartheid.

The international standing of UCT's architectural degrees, for example, was once again confirmed following a re-inspection of the degree by the Royal Institute of British Architects and the Commonwealth Association of Architects.

The unanimous finding of both professional bodies was that recognition be made retrospective to 1982, the year in which recognition

was withdrawn in protest against the government's apartheid policies.

In a similar gesture of international recognition, the Michaelis School of Art was one of 12 leading art schools selected to take part in the Hiroshima '95 International Exhibition of Art Colleges, held as part of the 50th anniversary of the bombing of that city at the end of World War 2.

Dr Saunders reports that the World Health Organisation also conferred the status of an official Collaborating Centre on an initiative undertaken by Peter Folb, head of UCT's Pharmacology Department.

The centre will be known as the World Health Organisation Collaborating Centre for Drug Policy, Information and Safety Monitoring at the Universities of Cape Town and the Western Cape.

UCT's department of Anatomical Pathology was also selected last year as one of eight international sites to participate in the International Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma Classification Project.

According to Dr Saunders various other university departments were invited to host prestigious international conferences at UCT last year, and a significant number of UCT researchers and scholars honoured internationally.

The increase in UCT's international contacts since the demise of apartheid, and the growing demand for formal exchange programmes with UCT, has led to a decision to establish an International Office this year.

This office will be responsible for centrally-based international programmes and research partnerships.

## Black students make up the majority of first-year intake

Education Reporter

BLACK students (including those classified as coloured and Indian) comprised 52 percent of the total first-year enrolment at the University of Cape Town and 42 percent of the enrolment for all years, the Vice-Chancellor's Report of 1995 has revealed.

The report said that nearly two-thirds of those enrolling for first-year engineering at UCT last year were black.

Sixty percent of students at UCT are registered in the faculties of Commerce, Medicine, Engineering or Science.

Women comprised 43 percent of student enrolment in 1995.

Thirty percent of the university's students were studying at postgraduate level last year.

And of the first-year African student enrolment, about half were admitted via UCT's special admissions programme.

## Support group for abused parents restarted

Health Reporter

IT happens behind closed doors. Like other abuse, the victims stay silent, ashamed that it's happening to them. It's parent abuse, and it's seldom spoken of, because parents feel guilty and think they have failed.

Now Porch (Parents of Rebellious Children), a self-help support group for abused parents, is being relaunched in Cape Town due to demand from parents.

Jay (not his real name), himself an abused parent, started Porch six years ago, and is behind the relaunch.

Parent abuse is often physical abuse, says Jay, but it can also be emotional.

"I get calls about physical manhandling and beating up of parents, and of children who demand unrealistic financial requirements for their lifestyle," he says.

But, stresses Jay, Porch does not offer solutions to the problems of abusive children, but rather supports embattled parents.

"The intention of this group is support.

"We cannot offer instant solutions, but we can offer empathy, understanding and strength for a fresh start."

Porch is a lay group for parents of adult children (older than 16 years).

Porch will be relaunched on Tuesday, May 14, at 7.30pm at 227, Stanhope Building, Ground Floor, Main Road, Claremont.

Inquiries should be directed to 461 2984.



THANKS, BUDDY: Dixie did not need a brolly on Saturday when the rain came down during the SPCA's fun day and Mutt of the Year event, because big old Oscar was there to cover for his vertically challenged little friend. Pity he could not close the windows...



## Dogs have their day in the spotlight

CHECK THIS OUT! The proof of the pudding is in the eating thereof? No, Ziggy, left, is not trying to sabotage an opponent's winnings. He is merely boasting with his hard-earned rosette after taking top spot in the mini dog jumping contest during the SPCA's fun day last Saturday.

Pictures: ROY WIGLEY, The Argus

JUMP MADAM, JUMP! Tammy tries her best to show owner Carole Germishuys of Table View how to do the hurdles, but to no avail. Jokes aside, Tammy took part in the fun of the dog show last Saturday when the SPCA held its Mutt of the Year day to raise funds.



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