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**MAFIKENG ANTI REPRESSION FORUM
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PAUL DAPHNE AND TWO EX-POLITICAL PRISONERS DETAINED IN BOP

Last night at 10.30pm Paul Daphne, Patrick Cebisa and Pascalise Racoco were detained in Mafikeng by Bop security police. They were attending a welcome party for a released political prisoner. The house was surrounded by approximately 30 policemen.

Paul Daphne was deported from Bop in January this year and was declared persona non grata. He is the publicity secretary of MAREF and was living outside the Bop Boundary. He could now face a sentence of up to six months in terms of the Aliens and Travellers Control Act.

Cebisa and Racoco were recently released from prison together with other political prisoners. They had been imprisoned for their role in the 1988 coup. They were detained last night for obstructing the police while they were trying to arrest Daphne.

"MAREF is appalled by this action of the Bop authorities, especially as it comes at a time when Mangope is sitting down at the CODESA table. At this stage in South Africa's history South African's should not be deported from one part of South Africa to another. At a time when Grand Apartheid is being dismantled, we call on President De Klerk and CODESA to bring Mangope into line and finally put an end to the monstrous repression that is taking place in Bop. We call for the immediate release of Daphne, Racoco and Cebisa."

MAREF and the Bop ex-political prisoners will be holding a picket outside CODESA today to demand the release of these people.

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