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COUNTRY: SOUTH AFRICA

SUBJ: NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN BLACK AND WHITE LEADERS.

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SOURCE REPORTED ACCURATE AND RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST.

TEXT: SOURCE DOES NOT BELIEVE A POWER-SHARING AGREEMENT WILL BE REACHED IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE BETWEEN THE WHITE AND BLACK LEADERS IN SOUTH AFRICA. BOTH SIDES ARE MAKING EXORCITANTY DEMANDS WHICH NEITHER SIDES CAN ACCEPT. A MAJORITY OF BLACKS WANT TOTAL BLACK CONTROL OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. WHITE LEADERS WILL NEVER AGREE TO GIVE UP ALL POWER. WHITE LLABERS WANT TO CREATE A GOVERNING HOUSE SIMILAR TO THAT ALREADY GIVEN TO COLORED AND INDIANS. SINCE WHITES RETAIN POWER TO VETO BILLS UNDER THIS SYSTEM, BLACKS DO NOT SEE THIS AS ANY MOVEMENT TOWARDS GIVING BLACKS POWER.

SOURCE CHARACTERIZED THE PRESENT TALKS AS "TALKING ABOUT TALKING ABOUT POWER SHARING." NEITHER SIDE IS BEING PRESSURED TO FIND AN IMMEDIATE COMPROMISE. THE BIGGEST BLOCK TO REAL TALKS IS NELSON MANDELA. UNTIL HIS RELEASE FROM PRISON, BLACK LEADERS WILL NOT MEET FACE-TO-FACE WITH WHITE LEADERS. FREDERICK DE KLERK, STATE PRESIDENT AND LEADER OF THE NATIONAL PARTY, IS EXPECTED TO RELEASE MANDELA, BUT THE UNANSWERED QUESTION IS WHEN HE WILL RELEASE HIM.

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PRESENTLY, PROTESTS AND TERRORISTS ACTS IN SOUTH AFRICA ARE RELATIVELY NON-EXISTANT. BLACKS ARE MOVING INTO THE MIDDLE CLASS AND MOVING OUT OF GHETTOS. BOTH SIDES BELIEVE THE PRESENT SITUATION GIVES THE ADVANTAGE TO THEM. SOURCE BELIEVES THAT SINCE EACH SIDE SEES A CLEAR CUT VICTORY FOR THEIR SIDE, NO SERIOUS NEGOTIATIONS WILL TAKE PLACE RIGHT AWAY. BLACK LEADERS ENVISION BLACK CONTROL OF THE COUNTRY BECAUSE OF THE WORLD PRESSURE AND CENSURE BEING PUT ON SOUTH AFRICA. NATIONAL PARTY LEADERS BELIEVE THAT WHITES WILL REMAIN IN POWER WITH SOME SHARING OF POWER WITH BLACKS. SOURCE BELIEVES THE WHITE LEADERS WANT TO FORM A DECENTRALIZED GOVERNMENT ALONG GROUP REPRESENTATION IN ORDER TO INSURE WHITES RETAIN POWER. DE KLERK AND OTHER WHITE LEADERS HAVE INDICATED THAT THE SOLUTION MIGHT BE TO GIVE STATE GOVERNMENTS THE POWERS PRESENTLY HANDLED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, AND MAKE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT A CONFEDERATION LIKE THE UNITED STATE'S FIRST GOVERNMENT. SOURCE SEES THESE TWO POSITIONS AS THE STARTING POINT FOR NEGOTIATIONS. ONCE MANDELLA IS RELEASED, HE BELIEVES AN AGREEMENT TO SHARE POWER WILL BE REACHED WITHIN A YEAR.

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