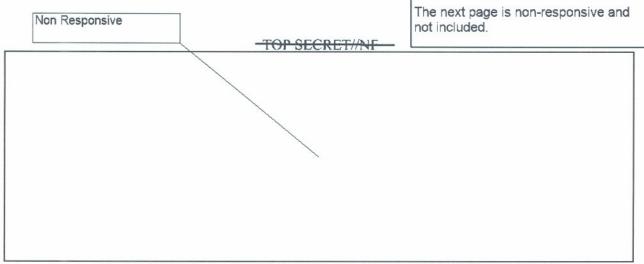
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4. (C) SOUTH AFR1CA: NELSON MANDELA HAS THREATENED TO SUSPEND TALKS WITH THE GOVERNMENT UNLESS IT TAKES ACTION BY 9 MAY TO END

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FACTIONAL VIOLENCE. THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS (ANC) LEADER ISSUED THE ULTIMATUM AT A PRESS CONFERENCE ON 5 APRIL. HE HIGHLIGHTED THE ESCALATION IN BLACK FACTIONAL VIOLENCE OVER THE PAST

YEAR AND CONCLUDED THAT PRETORIA IS UNWILLING TO BRING IT UNDER CONTROL. HE ACCUSED BOTH THE GOVERNMENT AND THE ZULU-BASED INKATHA MOVEMENT--THE ANC'S CHIEF POLITICAL RIVAL--OF PROFITING FROM THIS SITUATION. MANDELA MADE SEVERAL DEMANDS. THESE INCLUDED OUTLAWING THE CARRYING OF WEAPONS, TRADITIONAL OR OTHERWISE, AT PUBLIC GATHERINGS AND DISMISSING TWO CONTROVERSIAL CABINET MINISTERS, DEFENSE MINISTER MALAN AND LAW AND ORDER MINISTER VLOK. BRINGING A HALT TO THE FIGHTING IN THE TOWNSHIPS BETWEEN ANC AND INKATHA RIVALS

HAS CLEARLY BECOME THE ANC'S TOP PRIORITY; 30 TO 40 ANC SUPPORTERS ARE BEING KILLED EACH WEEK. PRESIDENT DE KLERK HAS REJECTED THE ANC

DEMANDS, SUGGESTING THAT THE ORGANIZATION IS TRYING TO DEFLECT ATTENTION FROM ITS INTERNAL PROBLEMS. RELATIONS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE ANC SEEM TO BE AT THEIR LOWEST POINT SINCE DE KLERK TOOK OFFICE. NEVERTHELESS, CONTINUING DIALOGUE BETWEEN THESE TWO PARTIES CAN BE EXPECTED, AND THEY COULD REACH SOME COMPROMISE ON

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CONGRESS AND CONSTITUTIONAL TALKS, HOWEVER, MIGHT BE DELAYED.

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