

The plot thickens

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Vieira said three SA Air Force helicopters made a trip to the Chagalane area inside Mozambique only last week.

Some of the entries in the diaries kept for MNR leader Afonso Dlakhama defy comprehension:

□ Colonel Charles van Niekerk of Military Intelligence boasted that they would bug a conference between Foreign Minister Pik Botha and the Frelimo government in September last year and presumably pass the information on to the MNR;

□ SADF chief general Constand Viljoen told the MNR at a Pretoria meeting the same month that Botha was "deceitful" and that they should not be fooled by his schemes. He advised them not to accept Botha and Frelimo's offer of amnesty; and

□ In May this year Viljoen is reported as having said that he and his colleagues would resign if they were ordered to fight the MNR.