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Nelson Mandela, President of the African National Congress of South Africa, discusses recent political developments in his country, South Africa, and points out that the countdown to democracy in South Africa has begun: the apartheid regime has been forced to concede that the system of white minority rule can no longer be sustained. With the transition to democracy enshrined in the law, Mr. Mandela calls on governments and peoples of the world to end their economic sanctions against South Africa. In his negotiations with the "white right wing", he was encouraged to find that they are also interested in a peaceful solution to South Africa's political problems.

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