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PREVENTION OF PUBUC VIOLENCE AND
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VIOLENCE AND THE CHILDREN

Political violence has had a devastating effect on South Africans of all ages.
Those who have been affected most profoundly are under the age of 18
THE CHILDREN.

The term Nation Building is used frequently, in different contexts and is applied to every aspect of our lives. Each one of us has been encouraged to work towards this ideal but it is the *future* builders of our nation who need attention - the leaders and decision-makers of tomorrow - THE CHILDREN.

But will tmlay's children befit ami able leaders of tomorrow?

They will inherit the burdens and responsibilities of power - it is on their shoulders that South Africa's future rests. How strong are their shoulders? How deep are the scars of the past - the visible scars and those that are less apparent?

South Africa does not face this predicament alone. The children of Mozambique, Brazil, and Bosnia are equally damaged. However, thanks to organisations such as yours, South Africa has the facilities, the means and the resources to lead the world in addressing the problems oftraumatized children, and finding and implementing solutions. South Africa has demonstrated to the world that peace can be attained against seemingly insurmountable odds and we can demonstrate again that wounds, no matter how deep, can be healed - permanently.

The Goldstone Commission Inquiry into "The Effects of Public Violence on Children" has published the findings and recommendations of the Inquiry team. By attending the Working Forum on Tuesday, 27 September, you and your organisation will play a vital part in considering those recommendations, designing strategies for immediate and long-term intervention and ensuring their practical implementation. Don't miss this opportunity to network, and share experiences with those directly involved with the children and the effects of violence.

Call NOW on (0 II) 883-1820 to reserve your place, or return the registration form on the accompanying brochure TODAY!

Yours sincerely

INQUIRY DIRECTOR

