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The African National Congress, The American Committee On Africa, the Coalition for Democracy in South Africa and the Fund for Democratic Elections in South Africa invite you to attend a special activist briefing on the prospects for democratic elections in South Africa with ANC Southern Natal Regional Secretary and national electoral candidate Jeff Radebe.

The briefing will be held on:

Monday, February 7, 5:30 - 8:00 PM

at

**The United Nations Church Center, Conference Room 10H
777 UN Plaza (First Avenue at 44th Street)**

The briefing will focus on threats to the election campaign, the need for resources to empower the ANC and the role of the U.S. solidarity movement in meeting the immediate challenges ahead.

Please plan to attend this important gathering.

For more information contact Nozizwe Mvemve at the African National Congress Mission to the United Nations: (212) 490-3487

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BIOGRAPHY THAMSANQA JEFF RADEBE

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Introduced to the black consciousness movement in 1970, Jeff Radebe was a member of the South African Students Organization and a co-founder of KWAYO (KwaMashu Youth Organization), the front runner to the National Youth Organization. Once the organization was banned by the ruling party Mr. Radebe went into exile in Tanzania working underground promoting the African National Congress as a radio journalist with Radio Freedom.

During his time in exile he left Southern Africa for Germany where he received a Masters Degree from Leipzig University in International Law. Mr. Radebe graduated with distinction in 1981. Upon his graduation from the university, Mr. Radebe returned to Tanzania and was named the Deputy Chief Representative of the ANC in Tanzania.

While in Johannesburg in 1986 he was arrested and charged under the Terrorism Act for conspiring to commit acts capable of endangering the maintenance of law and order and sentenced to 10 years in South Africa's notorious Robben Island prison. It was there that he coordinated a successful 12 day hunger strike that lead to the release of the previously banned ANC prisoners. Mr. Radebe's sentence was reduced by 6 years and upon his release on June 9, 1990 was elected as the Deputy Chairperson of the ANC in Southern Natal.

Presently Mr. Radebe is the elected chairperson of the ANC in Southern Natal, a member of the ANC Executive Committee, and in January 1994 was elected at the ANC Convention to the 14th position on the upcoming April ballot, with Mr. Nelson Mandela as the first, in the National Assembly.