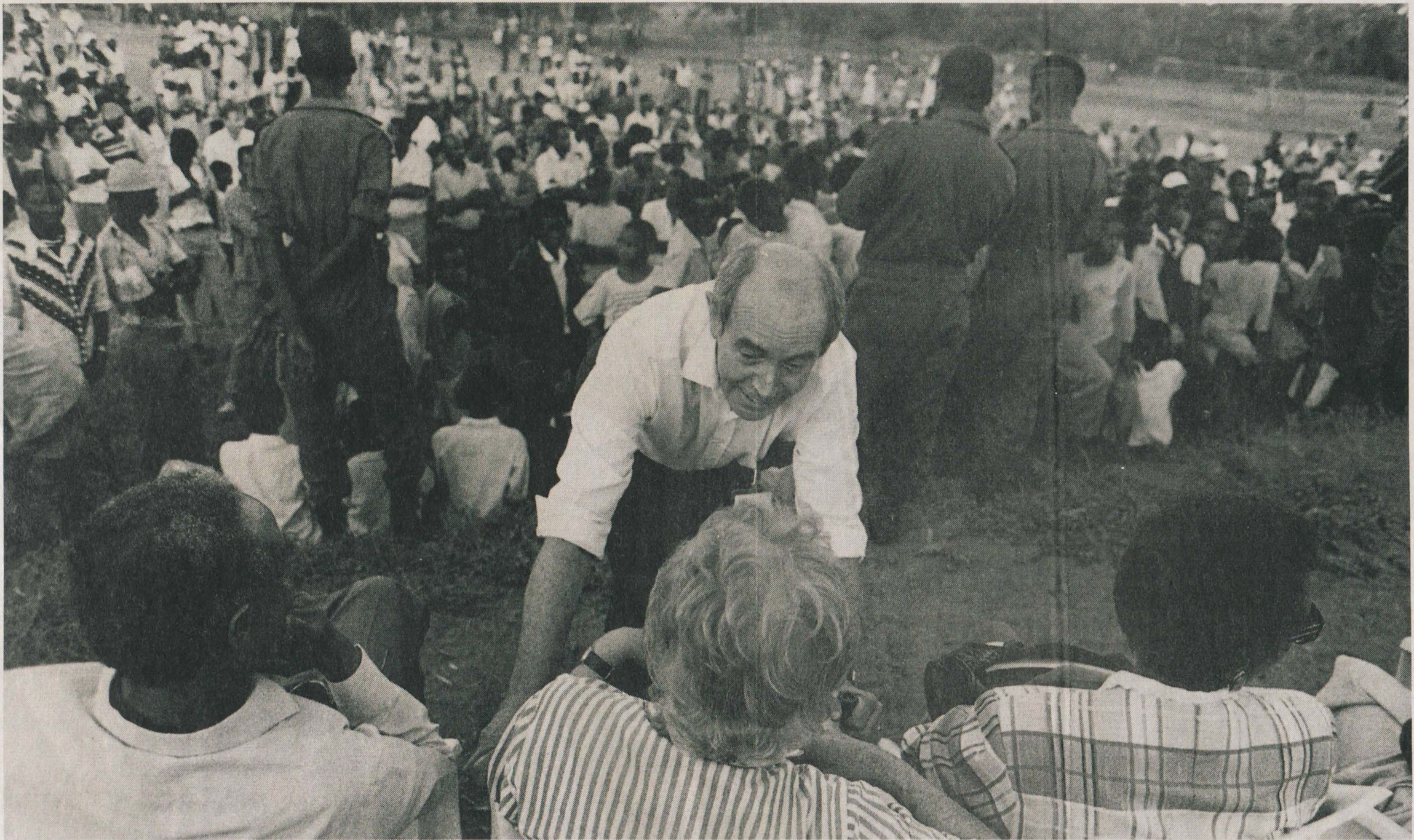


IMPORTANT ELECTION INFORMATION



WHAT IS THE IEC DOING FOR YOU?

These are the members of the Independent Electoral Commission. A group of people brought together by the multiparty negotiations to make sure that South Africa's first democratic elections are free and fair. There are sixteen members, all highly respected local and international figures, who have the responsibility of supervising the entire election process.



ORGANISING

The IEC has to set up the whole system of voting, making sure that there are ballot



papers and boxes in every location, manufacturing voting booths so that every vote can be cast in secret, putting up posters so everybody knows where to go to vote, providing all the impartial and authoritative people to man the polling stations

and monitor intimidation or violence and all the other millions of jobs that go into making an election happen.

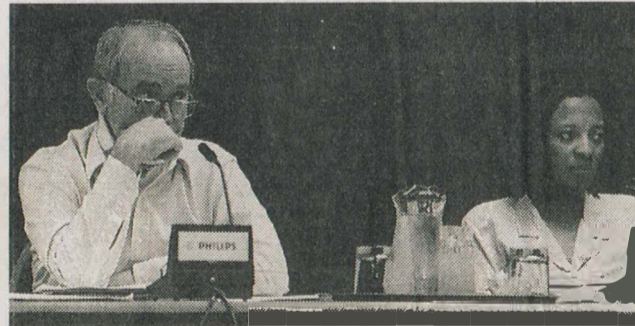
EDUCATING

So many people in this country have never taken part in a democratic process before it is a

major task of the IEC to teach everybody how the voting system works. Of particular importance is the concept of the secret ballot, that nobody can ever know how any individual voted.

MONITORING

Maintaining that secrecy is another IEC responsibility. Included in that is the prevention of or punishment for intimidation and violence. The IEC has tough legal powers to enforce compliance with the agreed Code of Conduct and will not hesitate to use them.



ADJUDICATION

With more than 185 000 people involved in the IEC's functions and 10 000 monitors represented at every polling station plus many

thousands of registered observers, the Commission is in a unique position to judge the freedom and fairness of the elections, including intimidation and violence, and impose severe penalties, ranging from R100 000 fines to total disqualification from the election process.



The IEC has no allegiance to any party, organisation or authority. It exists only to serve you, the voter. The IEC will exercise its mandate and employ its wide legal powers to safeguard the democratic rights of every voter, so

that you can vote in secret and with confidence on April 27/28.

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