

“I am a builder and I’m voting National Party.”



“My name is Clement Abrahams. I, and thousands of people in my trade support the NP because above all we need economic growth in this country. Being in the building and construction business I can tell you that business has been going downhill from 1978.

The ANC at the present moment make a lot of promises and they won't be able to deliver the goods. They're promising free housing? Who's going to pay for these houses? I'm in the business and I know how much it costs to build an average house. It costs about R60 000. Now imagine giving away 6 or 7 million houses. Is the money going to come out of the air? Who is going to pay the suppliers, the plumbers, the electricians, the people who make the bricks? We have to start from somewhere and that is the economy.

What about free education? There are millions of children, do they know how much it costs to educate just one child? Where are they going to get this money? And remember, the ANC used to call for liberation before education. Now Mr Mandela says you can't get a job without education.

We desperately need growth in the economy and the only way we can do it is by voting for the National Party because at the present moment it is the only party we can depend on. I mean, it's senseless to put somebody on a plane and ask him to fly it when he doesn't even know how to handle the plane. We will all crash down. The National Party have got the know-how, the experience, they've got President de Klerk as a leader who is a very strong leader, a dynamic person and I think he can handle the situation.

Look, I stood as a candidate for the old Federal Party in the Northern Transvaal. At that time we fought the old regime. We went to the whites and told them what a hard time we were having. But after de Klerk came in, we saw what he did. He made a lot of changes. He made promises and he kept them.

This country is a young country compared to the overseas countries and yet it did well with the NP. I've been to Maputo, I saw what happened there, the chaos from the civil war, the destruction and poverty caused by communism.

Ever since the upheaval in our country started in 1992, the NP tried to do something about it but they were always opposed by the other parties. If the NP come into power they will put their foot down. They can do it. Only they can stabilise the country because we've got a lot to live for.”

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