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# No need for inquiry — Vorster

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IN A GENERAL Press statement, issued yesterday Prime Minister, Mr. Vorster, said the Security Force were at present engaged in a comprehensive and serious investigation which was connected with terrorism sabotage.

"In the process persons have been detained for questioning in terms of the legal powers vested in the police for this purpose by Parliament. It can be expected that more persons will be detained in the course of the investigation," he said.

Mr. Vorster said it was the legal duty of the police to contain terrorism and sabotage and they would perform this task notwithstanding the agitation by certain newspapers and persons "to foment feelings against the police and make their actions suspect".

"The pattern is known and abusive language has been the same over the years as often as the police have had to act in this regard."

He said there was a significant difference between the actions of certain newspapers and persons when members of the police were killed or maimed by terrorists and when people were detained under the law and in some isolated cases unfortunately committed suicide or died as a result of natural causes.

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"The police have strict orders to act within the provisions of the law. Despite extreme provocation and considering the seriousness of the matter they do so.

"The police have proved abundantly that they do not hesitate themselves to act against any member of the force who makes himself guilty of any contravention.

"The public must take note of the fact that our enemies will, in the times ahead, attempt to undermine us with greater hatred and venom than even before. Between them and our safety stand the police."

Mr. Vorster added that the procedure required by law in the case of death, whether it occurred in police custody or otherwise, had always been complied with and would be in the future.

"I therefore find no necessity for appointing a special judicial commission to investigate any particular case."

As soon as the investigation had been completed, the relevant documents would be submitted to the Attorney-General for further action.