

MULLER TO SEE REPORT ON DETAINEE

A FULL REPORT on the recent Terrorism Act detention and the death fall of Mr Ahmed Timol was due to be given today to the Minister of Police, Mr Muller, only hours after his return from a 17-day visit to Europe.

Detainee released by police

MR HASSEN JOOMA (30), a Pretoria schoolteacher was released on Friday night after almost three weeks' in Security Police detention at John Vorster Square.

A relative said today that police took him by car from Johannesburg to his Pretoria home.

Mr Jooma, a married man who teaches at Laudium High School, spent the weekend at Brits and left for Pretoria today to write his examinations for a Lib degree.

He was arrested in the nation-wide sweep that preceded the death of Mr Ahmed Timol.

He was the first detainee to be released in Johannesburg since the release early last week of Mr Joergen Wagner, a German photographer.

British and Australian authorities confirmed today that the position of the two Britons and the Australian, who shared a studio with Mr Wagner, was unchanged.

All three were still in detention and no further action had been taken by their countries since they were visited in detention last week.

Mr Muller told reporters at Jan Smuts Airport today that he had not been fully informed about the situation while he was overseas.

He said that he would be having discussions on the detainees' question today with the Commissioner of Police.

"Thereafter I will be in a better position to discuss the matter. In any case I think the least said about it the better. In due course the world will know what it is all about."

Mr Muller said the police were there to do their duty, and they did it for the safety of South Africa and its citizens.

He declined to comment on allegations, made yesterday by Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, that approaches had been made to South African Blacks in London to spy on him. (See Page 7).