

Speaker for twice banned meetings attacked by AFRO

THE organisers of the twice-banned Free Braam Fischer Rally have come under fire from the Anti-CRC Front (AFRO) over their choice of speakers.

The organisers, the Human Rights Committee, listed the name of Mr Don Mateman, of Eldorado Park as one of the main speakers at the rally.

Mr Mateman, a former banned person is the official Coloured Labour Party candidate in the Protea constituency for the Coloured Representative Council (CRC) election on March 19.

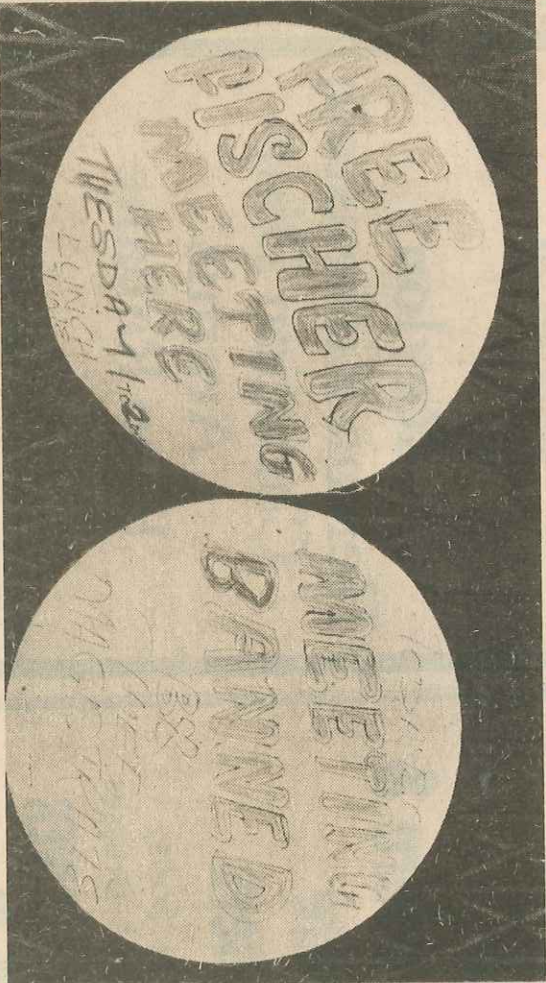
Commented an AFRO spokesman: "I am shocked that a supposed to be militant body like the Human Rights Committee could choose a speaker

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like Mr Mateman — after all he has committed himself irrevocably to a collaborationist body like the CRC.

"The last time Mr Mateman spoke in public, in Eldorado Park he was so embarrassed by questions put to him by members of AFRO that he left the hall to fetch Security Branch cops who were on standby outside.

The first Human Rights Committee meeting on Fischer, who is dying in prison from cancer, was scheduled for Sunday afternoon. This — and a subsequent meeting on Tuesday — was banned.



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Signs outside the Chandi Hall in Johannesburg on Sunday — the one on the right announcing the cancellation of the meeting and the other announcing a new date for the rally which was also banned.