beyond tokenism. We will really have to give and take what others also really have to give. We will have to avoid confrontation. Those who are committed to establish politics in which there are all-or-nothing fights for control, are a threat to man and beast. Their approach is directing our country to the awesome consequences of scorched earth policy meeting scorched earth policy.

It is now time for political reconciliation and it is now time for all Parties to come together to work side by side to establish a new future. I do not want to thrash the ANC in the process of producing a new South Africa and the ANC should not want to thrash the National Party in that process. Let us, I say, put Party politics aside when it comes to negotiations about the constitutional future of South Africa. Let us put the good of the State before the good of the Party in doing so.

Inkatha has a decided advantage which

makes it a very useful partner in the politics of negotiation. Inkatha is practised at negotiation.

We know that negotiation can work because we have seen it at work. We are specifically going to mobilise to negotiate. We are specifically going to mobilise to develop the liaison and the co-operation between the country's major groupings that sound negotiations demand.

Inkatha believes that its approach is saleable to Black South Afric and once the hideous killing stops, and once the politics of intimidation is shamed out of existence, we can through Inkatha's approach realise the ambitions and fulfill the needs of the poverty-ridden Black population in South Africa. They want the politics of reason. They want the politics of negotiation. They want a multi-party democracy. They want the normalisation of South Africa and they want economic development and the jobs that go with it.

Plea for Zulu unity to support democracy

Dr Mangosuthu Buthelezi has made a strong plea for Zulu unity to support the emergence of a multi-party democracy in South Africa.

"Negotiations were not going to be like a blank piece of paper in which the strong could push others aside." he Chief Minister of KwaZulu and President of the Inkatha Freedom Party was speaking at Kwakhipunyawo, in KwaZulu, at the unveiling ceremony of the tombstones of Inkosi Bekayiphi Sibiya and Inkosi Mtshekula Sibiya.

Dr Buthelezi said the negotiations for a new South Africa were not going to be a Party-political event. They would be a coming together of the forces needed to make a strong, united and stable South Africa. Negotiations were not going to be like a blank piece of paper in which the strong could push others aside.

The Zulu people had opted to choose peace, a multi-party democracy, and a political system which made people richer by developing the country's economy.

The Zulus had both the tradition of being powerful warriors and the prime movers in

putting violence behind them towards the establishment of a new South Africa. Peace had more power than the barrel of a gun could give any leader.

But never before had Zulus been so attacked politically as they were now. Dr Buthelezi said: "My call is a call for unity. Stand together for the sake of South Africa and as South Africans, to give South Africa the power and advantage of your Zuluness."

Referring to the recent speech by the ANC's Mr Chris Hani in Umtata, Dr Buthelezi said there were some who wanted to claim the present doom of apartheid as their doing. Mr Hani had said that the release of Dr Nelson Mandela and other political prisoners – and the unbanning of organisations – was an ANC victory.

"Such talk is bravado and will lead to him and his associates standing up in the politics of negotiation to dictate to others at the negotiating table. In doing so, he and others will dictate to the people."

It was not the ANC which had destroyed apartheid – it was done through the efforts of ordinary people who had challenged apartheid laws. This was the miracle of South Africa.