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Newsmen barred from Klipfontein

PORT ELIZABETH — Authorities enforced a ban on journalists wishing to enter the squatter camp at Klipfontein and resettlement area at Glenmore yesterday.

As the first squatter shacks at Klipfontein were being demolished yesterday afternoon, senior police officers advised reporters to leave the farm.

They said they had received a request from Coloured usufructuaries there to allow no one but personnel from the Department of Plural Relations on the property.

If anyone did trespass on the farm, they would be charged.

Earlier yesterday, the Department of Plural Relations' chief commissioner for the Eastern Cape, Mr D. J. Hitge, said he would not issue a permit for a journalist to enter Glenmore while the move was in progress.

"There is nothing to hide," he said. He did not want photographs taken during the move because there was "too much interference at that stage".

Permits would be issued after the last squatters had been settled.

Officials of the East Cape Administration Board also refused to issue a permit to enter the Kenton emergency camp where 17 families detailed to move to Glenmore were granted a reprieve at the weekend. No reason was given. One of the usufructuaries of Klipfontein, Mr N. T. Fischat, confirmed yesterday that he would not allow reporters on the farm.

"If you trespass, there will be trouble. I'm not letting, a reporter onto my property and that's final," he said. — DDC.

Zaire-Russia link

KINSHASA — Zaire and the Soviet Union will establish direct air links this month, the Zaire news agency, Azap, reported yesterday. — SAPA-RNS.