



AL3129 - The Zapiro TRC Cartoon Collection

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Abstract: This collection comprises of political cartoons that Zapiro (Jonathan Shapiro) produced when the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) was established. It was published on a weekly basis for the "Mail and Guardian" and on a daily basis for the "Sowetan" and the "Cape Argus". Zapiro lampoons in many cartoons the way "justice" was meted out during the course of the TRC as well as fundamental inadequacies he finds in its task of "truth-finding".

Introduction

Jonathan Shapiro, who goes by the pen name ZAPIRO, is an established political cartoonist from Cape Town whose work dates back to the politically turbulent 1980s. When the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) was established, Zapiro was working on retainer, producing political cartoons on a weekly basis for the national weekly newspaper the "Mail & Guardian", on a daily basis for the "The Sowetan" and at a day's remove, "The Sowetan" cartoon also appeared in the "Cape Argus". His TRC cartoons can be contextualized within his perception of the central theme of the TRC, namely "to get to as much truth as possible and to attempt reconciliation." In an interview conducted for purposes of entering information about the Zapiro TRC Cartoon Collection into the Directory of TRC Archival Resources, Zapiro asserted that he felt no compunction "to be a spokesperson on a mission for the TRC", even though he agreed with the necessity for a TRC. He was therefore able to lampoon the inability of the TRC to bring the true Apartheid power elite to accept responsibility for their oppressive governance, or to satirise the overly "religious" face of the Commission. He was also capable of expressing very succinctly and irreverently his disillusionment with Government's lack of commitment to providing reparation to victims as recommended by the TRC. For Zapiro "the unanswered and most difficult question" with which he and so many victimized South African had to deal with was "is it fair that there was no retributive justice?" The TRC was mandated to operate with the concept of "restorative justice". Hence Zapiro lampoons in many cartoons the way "justice" was meted out during the course of the TRC as well as the fundamental inefficacy for the nature of the task of "truth-finding".

The cartoons cover the period 1994, when the constitution of the TRC was being debated in public, to 2004 which saw the debate about reparations for victims of gross human rights violations still being waged.

Acronyms

ANC - African National Congress
APLA - Azanian People's Liberation Army
CCB - Civil Cooperation Bureau
FF - Freedom Front



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GHRV - Gross Human Rights Violations
IFP - Inkatha Freedom Party
M&G - Mail & Guardian
NP - National Party
PAC - Pan Africanist Congress
SABC - South Africa Broadcasting Corporation
SADF - South African Defence Force
SAP - South African Police Service
TRC - Truth and Reconciliation Commission

Related Materials

The TRC Archival Audit

Between 2003 and 2006, SAHA and Historical Papers, University of Witwatersrand embarked on a project to locate, retrieve and make available records relating to the South African Truth and Reconciliation Committee (TRC). The project entailed conducting an archival audit of all existing TRC records in order to identify and locate documentation in danger of being lost.

In the process of conducting the archival audit, SAHA and HP located many collections from individuals and organizations that participated in the TRC process, including this collection. Selections from these materials as well as TRC related material found in the freedom of Information Collection and other pre-existing SAHA and HP collections, were digitized and can be accessed online at <http://truth.wvl.wits.ac.za/>

A guide to archival resources relating to South African Truth and Reconciliation Commission can also be found at http://www.saha.org.za/pdf/trc_directory.pdf

The following collections resulted from the TRC Archival Audit:

AL3021: Sooka, Yasmin
AL3059: Dealing with the Past (Conference of Protestant Academy of Bad Boll, Germany)
AL3060: The State vs. P.W. Botha and Appeal
AL3061: Auditor General Reports on the Accounts of the TRC.
AL3062: Office of the Public Protector, Synopsis of Cases regarding Complaints involving the TRC
AL3063: Documents relating to the TRC Special Hearings on Health
AL3066: Materials Relating To TRC Faith Hearings
AL3068: Harris, Verne
AL3100: Submission to the TRC concerning Relevance of Economic, Social and Cultural Rights to the Commissions Mandate
AL3101: Jamiatul Ulama Transvaal, TRC Submission
AL3102: Amnesty International TRC Materials
AL3103: Institute for Healing Memories (IHOM) TRC Materials
AL3110: Centre for the Study of Violence and Reconciliation (CSVr)
AL3115: Argall, Jane
AL3116: Cherry, Janet
AL3118: Marcus, Gilbert
AL3119: Sheila Meintjies and Beth Goldblatt



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- AL3120: Ross, Fiona
- AL3121: Julian Knight and Rudolph Jansen
- AL3125: The Challenge of Reconciliation: A Response of Church and Lay Persons to the TRC
- AL3126: Confession and Reconciliation: A Challenge to Churches in South Africa
- AL3128: Terreblanche, Christelle
- AL3129: Zapiro TRC Collection
- AL3130: African National Congress (ANC) TRC Materials
- AL3131: Cosatu Submission to the TRC
- AL3132: Inkatha Freedom Party (IFP) Submission to the TRC
- AL3134: Iphepha Ndaba Newsletters from the Western Cape
- AL3135: Fester, Gertrude
- AL3136: Villa-Vicencio, Charles
- AL3137: Behr, Mark
- AL3141: Human Rights Watch Materials
- AL3142: NGO Working Committee on Reparations Materials
- AL3143: IDASA Sound Recordings Relating to the TRC

Notes

All Zapiro's cartoons are drawn with a very sharp pen. Nonetheless only one of his cartoons has ever been 'pulled'. A cartoon depicting former President FW de Klerk's responsibility (as head of the Apartheid State and its security forces) for the atrocities that emanated from the notorious "Vlakplaas", with De Klerk's head as the proverbial tip of the iceberg, was 'pulled' by The Sowetan, for whom the cartoon was drawn. The newspaper was of the opinion that the cartoon was potentially defamatory. Zapiro had therefore to replace De Klerk's head with that of Eugene de Kock, the self-confessed commander of "Vlakplaas". Both cartoons form part of the Collection.

Arrangement

This collection was initially arranged by subject matter. In order to portray the sequence of events during the TRC the cartoons have now been arranged by year.

Inventory

A: TRC Cartoons from 1995

A01: "One day in April 1994..."

[18 January 1995 - Preservation image/tiff]

This black and cartoon with the caption "One day in April 1994..." was created by Jonathan Shapiro (Zapiro) and published in the Sowetan on January 18, 1995.

A02: "They're indemnified... they're not indemnified..."

[19 January 1995 - Image/tiff,]

Doubts over SAP & SADF to get blanket indemnity dashed

A03: "Gloating may not be in the spirit of national reconciliation..."

[19 January 1995 - Image/tiff,]

Hopes for SAP and SADF to get blanket indemnity dashed. (Corresponds with 1.30 in TRC Digitisation Project.)

A04: "...but it was guaranteed..."

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[20 January 1995 - Image/tiff,]

No "guaranteed" indemnity for SAP.

A05: "Funny, I don't remember ordering that!"

[31 January 1995 - Image/tiff,]

Denial of collusion in and sanctioning of Apartheid crimes.

A06: "Now that you've heard my sins..."

[21 February 1995 - Image/tiff,]

Exposure of post- 1990 Apartheid 'dirty tricks':

A07: "...he can't remember anything that happened before Feb. 1990..."

[28 February 1995 - Image/tiff,]

NP denial of dirty tricks. (Corresponds with 1.29 in TRC Digitisation Project.)

A08: "...we're sure Vusi, Gert and Eugene know just how much their service has been valued!"

[05 April 1995 - Image/tiff,]

Eugene de Kock's R1million payout.

A09: "What else does the Easter Bunny have to hide?"

[12 April 1995 - Image/tiff,]

NP denial of dirty tricks. (Handwritten note: Att: Anton)

A10: "Torture! Human rights violations! We're coming in!"

[10 May 1995 - Preservation image/tiff, Access image/jpeg,]

This cartoon depicts the overhaul of SAP and acknowledgement of SAP abuses.

A11: "...Robbery, car theft, stock theft, fraud, arson..."

[26 May 1995 - Image/tiff,]

Overhaul of SAP and acknowledgement of SAP abuses.

A12: "What's Apartheid?"

[09 June 1995 - Image/tiff,]

NP denial. (Corresponds with 1.28 in TRC Digitisation Project.)

A13: "Weekly delivery"

[26 June 1995 - Image/tiff,]

Exposure of Apartheid 'dirty tricks' by Mail & Guardian newspaper.

A14: "I'm not sure these denials are working..."

[03 July 1995 - Image/tiff,]

De Klerk's denial of dirty tricks. (Cartoon used for Zapiro book.)

A15: "Ancient Greek Hellenistic period?"

[10 July 1995 - Image/tiff,]

Post-1990 'dirty tricks'.

A16: "...an independent body to look into police abuses makes a lot of sense."

[11 July 1995 - Image/tiff,]

Overhaul of SAP and acknowledgement of SAP abuses. (Corresponds with 1.27 in TRC Digitisation Project.)

A17: "He either misunderstood entirely..."

[13 July 1995 - Image/tiff,]

De Klerk's denial of dirty tricks.

A18: "Do you have what it takes?"

[24 July 1995 - Image/tiff,]

Armscor

A19: "The Truth Commission is a witch hunt!"

[25 July 1995 - Image /tiff,]

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NP sweeps truth under the rug; claims to be victims. (Corresponds with 1.25 in TRC Digitisation Project.)

A20: "How are you Mrs Verwoerd?"

[17 August 1995 - Image/tiff,]

Mandela 'bends over backwards' to visit Mrs Verwoerd in Orania.

A21: "Skweyiya Commission"

[25 September 1995 - Image/tiff,]

ANC camps under the spotlight. (Corresponds with 1.26 in TRC Digitisation Project.)

A22: "New uniforms for the generals?"

[31 October 1995 - Image/tiff,]

Change for former generals from military uniforms to prison uniforms.

A23: "Vasbyt Magnus! Min dae!"

[02 November 1995 - Image/tiff,]

Magnus Malan behind bars.

A24: Image of leaders represented as dominoes

[06 November 1995 - Preservation image/tiff,]

Domino effect of revelations ultimately toppling De Klerk.

A25: "We have to open up those festering wounds to cleanse them..."

[01 December 1995 - Access image - pdf, Preservation image - tiff]

This cartoon with caption "We have to open up those festering wounds to cleanse them - it'll hurt, but you'll feel much better afterwards!" was created by Zapiro and parodies the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) as a painful but necessary process for the healing of South Africa. It was published in the Sowetan of 1 December 1995.

Included in SAHA publication 'The Battle Against Forgetting: human rights and the unfinished business of the TRC'

A26: "I am loyal to you and your reforms..."

[04 December 1995 - Image/tiff,]

Reluctance of former SAP members to honestly accept SA's new democracy.

A27: "I'm the ghost of Christmas past..."

[12 December 1995 - Image/tiff,]

Buthelezi is made to face up to past injustices.

A28: "I've always wanted to try one of these things!"

[24 December 1995 - Image/tiff,]

Tutu is getting ready to hear confessions at the TRC.

A29: "If we don't find out what's in there, it will keep haunting us forever!"

[23 May 1995 - Access image - pdf, Preservation image - tiff,]

This cartoon with caption "If we don't find out what's in there, it will keep haunting us forever!" was created by Zapiro and parodies Dullah Omar's hopes to expose South Africa's past with the help of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) so that it will 'stop haunting us'. It was published in the Sowetan of 23 May 1995.

Included in SAHA publication 'The Battle Against Forgetting: human rights and the unfinished business of the TRC'

B: TRC Cartoons from 1996

B01: "Victims of the Apartheid era queue here."

[19 January 1996 - Image/tiff,]

Wildlife also suffered during Apartheid through SADF smuggling.

B02: "Mindful of the arduous task ahead, the TRC goes on a spiritual retreat"

[25 January 1996 - Image/tiff,]

Desmond Tutu shown walking on water.

B03: "...we'll still have to deal with the questions of prevailing attitudes..."

[20 February 1996 - Image/tiff,]

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Description of apparent racism at Potgietersrus Primary School in spite of order to allow all races to attend.

B04: "...it's blood general."

[05 March 1996 - Image/tiff,]

Perpetrators of human rights violations come face to face with their crimes.

B05: "My defense is: 'Just following order'..."

[08 March 1996 - Image/tiff,]

Perpetrators of human rights violations come face to face with their crimes; denial of crimes.

B06: 'Ah, Mr de Kock... you have listed the crimes for which you'll be applying for amnesty?'

[13 March 1996 - Image/tiff,]

Perpetrators of human rights violations come face to face with their crimes.

B07: "Apartheid-era crimes - God knows what we'll find in the belly of the beast!"

[16 April 1996 - Access image - jpg, Preservation image - tiff,]

This cartoon with caption "Apartheid-era crimes - God knows what we'll find in the belly of the beast" was created by Zapiro and parodies the the start of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's (TRC's) dangerous task of discussing South Africa's past. It was published in the Sowetan of 16 April 1996.

Included in SAHA publication 'The Battle Against Forgetting: human rights and the unfinished business of the TRC'

B08: "This little piggy went to market."

[18 April 1996 - Image/tiff,]

Portrayal of various significant people after Apartheid, in the form of 'three little pigs' nursery rhyme.

B09: "Looks like weighty evidence..."

[22 April 1996 - Image/tiff,]

Buthlezi implicated in IFP hit squads.

B10: "Oh God, help us to remember that the people who did this are also our children..."

[25 April 1996 - Image/tiff,]

Shock and shame at cruelty of Apartheid crimes.

B11: "As the TRC scales mount evidence... Desmond, people are asking why she's been left out of this expedition..."

[01 May 1996 - Access image - pdf, Preservation image - tiff,]

This cartoon with the caption "As the TRC scales mount evidence... Desmond, people are asking why she's been left out of this expedition..." was created by Zapiro and parodies the ethical shortcomings of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC). It was published in the Sowetan of 1 May 1996.

Included in SAHA publication 'The Battle Against Forgetting: human rights and the unfinished business of the TRC'

B12: Truth Commission Quiz

[08 May 1996 - Image/tiff,]

Description of those involved with Apartheid as 'depraved torturers/ murderers'.

B13: "Do you swear to tell the truth..."

[27 May 1996 - Access image - pdf, Preservation image - tiff,]

This cartoon with the caption "Do you swear to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?" parodies the perpetrators' court interdict interfering with Truth and Reconciliation Commission's (TRC's) hearings. It was published in the Sowetan of 27 May 1996.

Included in SAHA publication 'The Battle Against Forgetting: human rights and the unfinished business of the TRC'

B14: Prayer for Gideon Nieuwoudt

[01 July 1996 - Image/tiff,]

Hope Gideon Nieuwoudt will be haunted by the memories of his past atrocities.

B15: "...how do I look?"

[04 July 1996 - Image/tiff,]



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Suggests any regret shown by perpetrator are 'crocodile tears'.

B16: Dirk Coetzee the Hero

[22 July 1996 - Image/tiff,]

Dirk Coetzee's self-styled depiction as a hero soon to be destroyed by the Mxenge murder charge.

B17: "Look dear, it's your favourite program..."

[14 August 1996 - Image/tiff,]

*Eugene de Kock's trial described as *The Devil's favourite TV show*.*

B18: "The Hole Truth"

[23 August 1996 - Access image - pdf, Preservation image - tiff,]

This cartoon with the caption "The Hole Truth" parodies the glaring absence in the National Party's submission to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC). It was published in the Sowetan of 23 August 1996.

Included in SAHA publication 'The Battle Against Forgetting: human rights and the unfinished business of the TRC'

B19: "Okay, now that we've heard the party submissions, what exactly do we have?"

[26 August 1996 - Access image - pdf, Preservation image - tiff,]

This cartoon with the caption "Okay, now that we've heard the party submissions, what exactly do we have?" parodies the ethical shortcomings of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC). The political party submissions lead to more questions than answers. It was published in the Sowetan of 26 August 1996.

Included in SAHA publication 'The Battle Against Forgetting: human rights and the unfinished business of the TRC'

B20: Trying to land the Big One

[29 August 1996 - Image/tiff,]

Reluctance of PW Botha to testify at the TRC. (Corresponds with 1.21 in TRC Digitisation Project.)

B21: "No, there's no mistake, this is what you ordered..."

[19 September 1996 - Image/tiff,]

Denials by Apartheid government of having sanctioned acts of violence.

B22: Apartheid: Official Version

[20 September 1996 - Image/tiff,]

Eugene de Kock destroys the image of the 'official version' of apartheid.

B23: World-wide Web

[02 October 1996 - Image/tiff]

Gross human rights violations exposed in Craig Williamson's trial.

B24: "Vlok hulle!"

[07 October 1996 - Image/tiff]

Adriaan Vlok rejects a TRC subpoena, sweeps skeletons under the rug.

B25: "No work permit?"

[10 October 1996 - Image/tiff]

Craig Williamson's human rights violations exposed.

B26: "Hold the curtain... the show ain't over til the fat lady sings"

[11 October 1996 - Image/tiff]

Craig Williamson's human rights violations exposed in Eugene de Kock trial.

B27: "Whenever I'm in this province, I get this #&* driver!"

[15 October 1996 - Image/tiff]

Justice is hurt in Kwamakutha Trial while perpetrators escape.

B28: "I was sitting on the stoep minding my own business..."

[23 October 1996 - Image/tiff]

PW Botha's involvement in the Khotso House bombing.

B29: Truth flypaper



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[24 October 1996 - Image/tiff]

Apartheid perpetrators

B30: Subpoena?

[25 October 1996 - Image/tiff]

PW Botha - would he appear before the TRC? (Corresponds with 1.20 in TRC Digitisation Project.)

B31: "Two days gone..."

[01 November 1996 - Image/tiff]

Eugene de Kock imprisoned.

B32: "He still likes to dress for special occasions..."

[21 November 1996 - Image/tiff]

Tutu questions PW Botha.

B33: "We observe that the SADF presentations continue to reflect a negative attitude..."

[22 November 1996 - Image/tiff]

SADF disregard for TRC hearings.

B34: "Gross violations? I know nothing about them..."

[26 November 1996 - Image/tiff]

PW Botha's denial and rejection of the TRC.

B35: Once-Only Offer! Amnesty washing powder

[12 December 1996 - Image/tiff]

Brian Mitchell amnesty decision. (Corresponds with 1.19 in TRC Digitisation Project.)

B36: "All year a trickle, and then the December rush!"

[13 December 1996 - Access image - pdf, Preservation image - tiff]

This cartoon with the caption "All year a trickle, and then the December rush!" parodies the abundance of amnesty applications submitted close to the December 14 deadline. It was published in the Sowetan of 13 December 1996.

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B37: "Hello, Truth Commission?"

[18 December 1996 - Access image - pdf, Preservation image - tiff]

This cartoon with the caption "Hello, Truth Commission? I'm about to commit a politically motivated gross human rights violation, and I'd like to be included in your next extension of the amnesty cutoff date" parodies the ethical shortcomings of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) and the amnesty cutoff extension. It was published in the Sowetan of 18 December 1996.

Included in SAHA publication 'The Battle Against Forgetting: human rights and the unfinished business of the TRC'

Ethical shortcomings of the TRC and amnesty cutoff. (Corresponds with 1.18 in TRC.)

C: TRC Cartoons from 1997

C01: "You've lost your credibility? What, again?!"

[20 January 1997 - Image/tiff]

De Klerk losing credibility over 3rd force cover-ups.

C02: "It's terrible this increase in serial killers!"

[31 January 1997 - Image/tiff]

TRC exposure of atrocities by Apartheid security police.

C03: KRAAK!



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- [06 February 1997 - Image/tiff]
Exposure of NP coverups.
- C04: "Resign Dr Zuma!"
[07 February 1997 - Image/tiff]
NP's criticism of ANC-sponsored AIDS research shown to be hypocritical considering NP's past in 'medical research'.
- C05: "We can no longer ignore public demand"
[11 February 1997 - Image/tiff]
TRC sheds light on 'behind-the-scenes' players such as agents and informers.
- C06: "There's more to this than meets the eye"
[18 March 1997 - Image/tiff]
Exposure of Apartheid death camps. This cartoon was pulled as it was thought to be defamatory towards De klerk. It was redrawn (AL3129 C07) depicting Eugene de Kock instead, the self-confessed commander of Vlakplaas.
- C07: "You mean this is just the tip?"
[20 March 1997 - Image/tiff]
Exposure of Apartheid death camps. This cartoon, with Eugene de Kock's face, replaced an original image which was pulled by The Sowetan as it was thought to be defamatory towards FW de Klerk (AL3129 C06.)
- C08: "What do you mean 'no grounds to sue'?!!"
[27 March 1997 - Image/tiff]
De Klerk's reluctance to accept past atrocities.
- C09: "'I'm not sure how long we can keep this up!'"
[11 April 1997 - Image/tiff]
NP PR trying to cover denials of 3d force coverups. (Corresponds with 1.16 in TRC Digitisation Project.)
- C10: "Oops!"
[May 1997 - Image/tiff]
The truth doesn't necessarily lead to reconciliation. (Corresponds with 1.17 in TRC Digitisation Project.)
- C11: "10... 9... 8..."
[09 May 1997 - Image/tiff]
TRC attempting to lure perpetrators with amnesty.
- C12: White South Africa hears the truth about Apartheid
[30 June 1997 - Image/tiff]
Effect of the TRC hearings into GHRV on whites. Show's white's apathy. (Corresponds with 1.15 in TRC Digitisation Project.)
- C13: Benzien: Dissolves unwanted memories
[17 July 1997 - Image/tiff]
Denial of Apartheid era murders.
- C14: "How can she stand for ANC deputy-presidency in that hat?!!"
[18 July 1997 - Image/tiff]
Winnie Madikizela-Mandela considering ANC deputy-presidency in spite of revealed human rights violations. (Corresponds with 1.14 in TRC Digitisation Project.)
- C15: Wanted for racist serial murder
[25 July 1997 - Image/tiff]
Apartheid 'hanging judges' to answer to justice?
- C16: Getting to the point, day three.
[14 August 1997 - Image/tiff]
Full disclosure in Chris Hani case.
- C17: Crash!!!



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- [19 August 1997 - Image/tiff]
Derby-Lewis's "religious reasons" for killing Chris Hani come 'crashing down' on him.
- C18: Winnie in graveyard
[11 September 1997 - Image/tiff]
Winnie Madikizela-Mandela's past comes back to haunt her.
- C19: Biko: 20 years on an indelible legacy
[12 September 1997 - Preservation image/tiff, Access image/jpeg]
This cartoon is a tribute to Steve Biko on the twentieth anniversary of his death.
- C20: "...at this point Biko attacked the wall with his head..."
[15 September 1997 - Image/tiff]
Lies told about Steve Biko's death persist twenty years later. (Corresponds with 1.13 in TRC Digitisation Project.)
- C21: "We may dispute the details... but on one thing we agree."
[16 September 1997 - Image/tiff]
Winnie Madikizela-Mandela's guilty involvement in numerous murders.
- C22: "Back, vile creatures!!"
[19 September 2007 - Image/tiff]
Apartheid spies attend TRC hearing.
- C23: "The Dark Ages Revisited..."
[19 September 1997 - Image/tiff]
Critique of SABC portrayal of government during Apartheid era. Cartoon references another Zapiro cartoon from 1987.
- C24: "Krokodil Tears"
[02 October 1997 - Image/tiff]
Botha makes excuses not to testify at TRC.
- C25: "A TRC subpoena?! Impossible!..."
[02 October 1997 - Image/tiff]
Botha Makes excuses not to testify at TRC.
- C26: Eugene de Kock: prisoner 85473102
[03 October 1997 - Image/tiff]
Eugene de Kock implicates Apartheid leaders with his testimony.
- C27: 'Struggle banking in the early nineties'
[09 October 1997 - Image/tiff]
Dirty dealings and violence of APLA.
- C28: "Both teams, for 100 points..."
[13 October 1997 - Image/tiff]
- C29: "This 'everyone's-a-victim-of-Apartheid' thing is getting out of hand"
[24 October 1997 - Image/tiff]
Perpetrators as victims. (Corresponds with 1.6 in TRC Digitisation Project.)
- C30: 'Apartheid Complicity/Judicial Impartiality'
[30 October 1997 - Image/tiff]
Exposing judges hiding behind apartheid complicity.
- C31: "Until we sort this out, a question mark hangs..."
[04 November 1997 - Image/tiff]
Uncertainty over accusations about Commissioner Ntsebenza.
- C32: "I said it all along: I was framed!"
[06 November 1997 - Image/tiff]
Accusations over Commissioner Ntsebenza deemed false.



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- C33: Business in bed with apartheid
[12 November 1997 - Image/tiff]
TRC exposes the role of businesses in propping up apartheid and thus party to the GHRV of the state, as well as the economic deprivations suffered under apartheid.
- C34: "Us? Beneficiaries of Apartheid?!"
[18 November 1997 - Image/tiff]
Big business as beneficiaries of Apartheid. Cartoon used for Zapiro book.
- C35: "My dearest, give me your hand..."
[19 November 1997 - Image/tiff]
PW Botha rejects a TRC Subpoena.
- C36: Mandela United Football Club vs Witnesses
[25 November 1997 - Image/tiff]
TRC helps witnesses expose shady affairs of Winnie Madikizela-Mandela and the Mandela United Football Club.
- C37: "Don't tell her 'innocent-victim-of-a-smear-campaign' won't wash..."
[26 November 1997 - Image/tiff]
Winnie Madikizela-Mandela tries to maintain her innocence.
- C38: "I say she'd amke a great Deputy President!"
[27 November 1997 - Image/tiff]
Winnie Madikizela-Mandela represented as a despot.
- C39: "Uh-oh!... Out of ammunition!"
[03 December 1997 - Image/tiff]
Winnie-Madikizela-Mandela struggling to maintain her innocence.
- C40: "I would like to draw the commission's attention to the character of the eye-witnesses..."
[04 December 1997 - Image/tiff]
Winnie Madikizela-Mandela struggles to maintain her innocence.
- C41: "Eugene de Kock?!"
[05 December 1997 - Image/tiff]
Winnie Madikizela-Mandela being compared to Eugene de Kock.
- C42: "This elusive creature, difficult to catch..."
[17 December 1997 - Image/tiff]
TRC trying to get PW Botha to reveal the truth.
- D: TRC Cartoons from 1998
- D01: "The TRC is a Circus!"
[25 February 1998 - Image/tiff]
Attempts to include PW Botha in TRC process.
- D02: "...humanely, as always."
[13 March 1998 - Image/tiff]
Apartheid operatives continue to damage the truth and reconciliation process at amnesty hearings. (Corresponds with 1.12 in TRC Digitisation Project.)
- D03: "Gimme that! I wanna do it!"
[19 March 1998 - Image/tiff]
Reluctance of NP and ANC to give up blanket amnesty. (Corresponds with 1.4 in TRC Digitisation Project.)
- D04: April Fool: General Georg Meiring
[01 April 1998 - Image/tiff]
Georg Meiring's misleading report of an intended left-wing coup against government.
- D05: "...But he's always been paranoid and prone to hallicunations!"



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- [02 April 1998 - Image/tiff]
PW Boths rejects TRC.
- D06: "How was I supposed to know it wasn't for real?"
[12 April 1998 - Image/tiff]
Georg Meiring's misleading report of an intended left-wing coup against government.
- D07: Spot the difference
[16 April 1988 - Image/tiff]
PW Botha's reluctance to join TRC process.
- D08: "No Deal!"
[17 April 1998 - Image/tiff]
TRC offering PW Botha a lifeline; Botha not accepting.
- D09: "In the CCB we were trained to lie..."
[23 April 1998 - Image/tiff]
Denial of involvement in Apartheid injustices.
- D10: Old Guard/New Order
[22 May 1998 - Image/tiff]
'Old Guard' ruining the New Order.
- D11: Apatheid's Chickens
[01 June 1998 - Image/tiff]
Apatheid's chickens 'come home to roost'.
- D12: 1985 & 1998
[05 June 1998 - Image/tiff]
PW Botha's actions being scolded by God.
- D13: Zapiro's Believe it or not!
[11 June 1998 - Image/tiff]
Case of 'truth stranger than fiction' for Apartheid Biological warfare program. (Corresponds with 1.11 in TRC Digitisation Project.)
- D14: "It's hopeless... fatal contamination, ..."
[11 June 1998 - Image/tiff]
Critique of biological warfare program of Apartheid government.
- D15: Hitler's Final Solution
[17 June 1998 - Image/tiff]
Comparing Basson's chemical warfare to Hitler's 'final solution'.
- D16: 3rd force as dragon hiding in liar
[15 July 1998 - Image/tiff]
SAP calling on 3rd force to destroy Richmond.
- D17: "As government it was our duty to prevent acts of terror!"
[23 July 1998 - Image/tiff]
Apartheid government tries (unsuccessfully) to justify their action.
- D18: BAM!
[26 July 1998 - Image/tiff]
Vlok's amnesty haring implicates Apartheid's ruling elite.
- D19: Chemical process for protection from TRC
[31 July 1998 - Image/tiff]
Basson's resistance to appearing at TRC.
- D20: "Finally, a big one!"



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[02 August 1998 - Image/tiff]

TRC's amnesty process finally has a breakthrough after securing Vlok to testify.

D21: The 3 Terrors

[10 September 1998]

D22: Spooks at the TRC

[17 September 1998 - Image/tiff]

Craig Williams claims all orders came from people who are now deceased.

D23: "I swear to just enough truth..."

[17 September 1998 - Image/tiff]

Insincerity of Craig Williams amnesty application.

D24: De Klerk waits for Tutu, Major

[28 October 1998 - Image/tiff]

Truth (TRC proceedings) about to be sabotaged by De Klerk. (Corresponds with 1.10 in TRC Digitisation Project.)

D25: Altar of Political Spindoctoring

[29 October 1998 - Image/tiff]

Tutu, as Moses, fights off criticism from those 'worshipping at the altar of spin'. (Corresponds with 1.9 in TRC Digitisation Project.)

D26: "...attacked from left, right and centre... but we made it!!"

[29 October 1998 - Image/tiff]

Tutu finally delivers final TRC report to Mandela; had to endure criticism from numerous parties.

D27: "Shoo! ...Talk about oversensitive!"

[01 November 1998 - Image/tiff]

ANC overreacts to criticism from TRC hearings. (Corresponds with 1.8 in TRC Digitisation Project.)

D28: "Attorney general McNally's refusing to leave his office, sir"

[04 November 1998 - Image/tiff]

McNally failing to uphold justice system.

D29: "Dear ANC you have managed to make this very difficult..."

[05 November 1998 - Image/tiff]

Apartheid leaders 'appreciate' ANC's overreaction to criticism.

D30: "Find truth! Expose corruption! Act without fear or favour"

[22 November 1998 - Image/tiff]

Good intentions of TRC and Mandela disrupted by others.

D31: Very South African moments #23

[03 December 1998 - Image/tiff]

Amazulu ordered to play their games 'in camera'. (Cartoon used for Zapiro book.)

D32: "It's either appeasement or more eruptions."

[11 December 1998 - Image/tiff]

ANC hides truth about Buthgelezi in order to appease him and prevent trouble.

E: TRC Cartoons from 1999

E01: "...They're saying old guard elements on our ranks had him arrested..."

[10 March 1999 - Image/tiff]

Denial of germ warfare project.

E02: "I seek a spiritual successor..."

[25 March 1999 - Image/tiff]

Draws parallel between Apartheid germ warfare and that done by Nazi regime.

E03: "Zey refuse amnesty?!!"



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[09 April 1999 - Image/tiff]

Walus and Derby-Lewis denied amnesty due to lies told.

E04: Basson in a beaker

[05 October 1999 - Image/tiff]

Basson now 'in hot water' because of past work.

E05: "Dr Mengele, we will not charge you with thousands of human experiments..."

[14 October 1999 - Image/tiff]

Critique of Nuremberg Trials?

E06: Meanwhile, the Basson Trial continues...

[26 November 1999 - Image/tiff]

Satirical look at evidence used for Basson Trial.

F: TRC Cartoons from 2000

F01: "...And I'll need an office with cupboard space..."

[12 January 2000 - Image/tiff]

Pik Botha applies to join ANC despite his history.

F02: Namibia's Skeleton Coast

[05 May 2000 - Image/tiff]

Atrocities committed in Namibia by Basson.

F03: "I took a few hundred grand of donor funds. I paid the penalty."

[14 May 2000 - Image/tiff]

Critique of contradictions apparent in amnesty and indemnity provisions of TRC.

F04: Scale of justice; Fraud and theft vs Apartheid crimes against humanity

[15 May 2000 - Image/tiff]

Critique of contradictions apparent in amnesty and indemnity provisions of TRC.

F05: "...Then there's this baby!... one prick and breathing is arrested in minutes!"

[27 May 2000 - Image/tiff]

Criticism of ideas on 'white know-how'.

F06: "Good amnesty committee!"

[06 June 2000 - Image/tiff]

Williamson's manipulation of the amnesty committee. Granted amnesty despite full disclosure. (Corresponds with 1.3 in TRC Digitisation Project.)

F07: Reparations ship

[09 June 2000 - Image/tiff]

TRC trying to alert government and ANC to the plight of Apartheid victims. (Corresponds with 1.2 in TRC Digitisation Project.)

F08: Whites who never benefited from Apartheid

[05 September 2000 - Image/tiff]

Refusal of white South Africans to apologise for Apartheid.

F09: The only person who... had not said Ferdi Barnard killed David Webster

[29 September 2000 - Image/tiff]

Ferdi Barnard denies killing David Webster; no one believes him.

F10: The organisers wait for thousands of whites to apologise for Apartheid

[19 December 2000 - Image/tiff]

Refusal of white South Africans to apologise for Apartheid.

G: TRC Cartoons from 2002

G01: Wouter Basson winking



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[11 April 2002 - Image/tiff]

Acquittal of Wouter Basson. (Corresponds with 1.1 in TRC Digitisation Project.)

G02: Basson doing scientific testing on justice

[14 April 2002 - Image/tiff]

Acquittal of Wouter Basson seriously harms justice.

G03: "I bent over backwards to see all the evidence"

[16 April 2002 - Image/tiff]

Astonishment at acquittal of Wouter Basson.

H: TRC Cartoons from 2003

H01: "We're closed indefinitely... You'll be served at the next window."

[05 February 2003 - Image/tiff]

Apartheid victims receiving excuses rather than payouts.

H02: "We dealt with as much of the evidence as we could."

[27 March 2003 - Image/tiff]

Info missing in TRC final report due to destruction of state records by Apartheid security establishment.

H03: Big business. Built by Apartheid exploitation

[17 April 2003 - Image/tiff]

Big business denying that they benefited from Apartheid.

H04: "Judge Hefer? We can't testify yet..."

[16 October 2003 - Image/tiff]

Maharaj and Shaik building a 'house of cards' over Ngcuka case.

H05: "I'll take time to find the three truckloads of secret files..."

[22 October 2003 - Image/tiff]

Evidence accusing Ngcuka cannot stand up to admittal of actual agent RS452.

H06: "Look, it's the lowest form of life!"

[23 October 2003 - Image/tiff]

Apartheid spies described as "lowest form of life".

H07: This is the house that Mac built

[23 October 2003 - Image/tiff]

'House of cards' collapsing.

H08: Pack of lies

[30 November 2003 - Image/tiff]

Players in Ngcuka Trial depicted as liars.

H09: "Ready everyone?"

[11 December 2003 - Image/tiff]

Ngcuka smear campaign ends with accusers' images sullied, not his.

I: TRC Cartoons from 2004

I01: "Pssst!... They dug out Gideon Nieuwoudt!"

[17 February 2004 - Image/tiff]

Post-TRC prosecutions.