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'UDF : "We went down All Blacks" .
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UDF: 'We won't harm All Blacks'

By Jo-Anne Collinge
 The United Democratic Front has replied sharply to those who have seen its commitment to direct mass action as a threat of violence.

The UDF's recent statement that it will protest in the streets, at airports and sports grounds against any New Zealand rugby tour of South Africa has been seen by some as a threat to the All Blacks.

"We have stated that we shall demonstrate our opposition to the tour but that we do not plan to harm the New

Zealand players. That would conflict with our fundamental non-violent stance." UDF publicity secretary Mr Terror Lakola said last night.

He said that the UDF's determination to lead mass action was precisely because the conference had noted there was a need to discipline protest in order to avert anarchy.

Disciplined mass action would correctly channel the energies of the people and effectively demonstrate to the Government where their feelings were, without destruction to property or loss of life.

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