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(RO)dan es salasa, Tanzania (101) - The newly elected chairman of the banned south african liberation movement, the pan africanist congress (pac) believes that the south african regime had a hand in the death of the organization's founding leader. Mungali Sobukwe, the Tanzanian government newspaper the daily news reported Saturday. (FL)

Sobukwe died at home in Kimberly south africa of lung cancer in Feb, 1976. he had founded the pac in 1969, was sent to Robben Island penitentiary on an indefinite sentence in 1963 but was sent home in 1969 due to deteriorating health. (FL)

At home, however, Sobukwe was a "Banned" person meaning that the south african government did not allow him to receive visitors or travel. He was required to be in his house every day from 0100 pm to 0200 am and the south african press was prohibited from quoting him. (FL)

Sobukwe was 54 when he died. (FL)

The daily news reported that John Pokela (50), who was elected pac chairman a week ago, told a class at the Tanzanian school of journalism that Sobukwe was "Maliciously eliminated by the Boers in a bid to weaken the movement." (FL)

Pokela was serving a 13 year prison term on Robben Island at the time of Sobukwe's death. (FL)

"Boers" is a south african term meaning africaner white settlers who control the south african government. (FL)

Pokela's reported statement is the strongest so far by any pac official linking the south african government with Sobukwe's death. (FL)

The daily news reported that Pokela said that an investigation will be launched soon into "The real causes" of Sobukwe's death. (FL)

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