BLACK leaders yesterday expressed outrage at the death of a 15-year-old student at a Pretoria school and have called for an urgent meeting with the Government to avert a recurrence of the 1976 unrest.

Bishop Desmond Tutu, general secretary of the South African Council of Churches (SACC) has sent a telegram to the Minister of Education and Training but would not reveal the contents of the telegram to the Press.

Meanwhile a student is reported to have been injured in Alexandra yesterday, where students of Minerva High School have been boycotting classes since Monday over their demands for the phasing out of the prefect system and the introduction of a Students' representative Council (SRC).

The student is believed to have been injured during a clash involving students who were boycotting classes and those who wanted the boycott to be called off.

Dr Nthato Motlana. chairman of the Soweto Committee of Ten, said an urgent meeting with students and community leaders should be called MABE by the Government to discuss the causes of conflicts at black schools.

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Mr Kabelo Lengane, president of the Azanian Students Movement (Azasm), said a national day of mourning should be observed tomorrow in sympathy with the family of the dead student, Emma Sathekge, who died during a police-student fracas at her school.

Mr Lengane said the attack on the principal's house in Pretoria was a clear indication that the seeds of discontent were growing among the students.

He also called on all students and members of the community throughout the country to wear black armbands tomorrow.

Mr Popo Molefe, national secretary of the United Democratic Front (UDF), said the UDF will be sending invitations to various individuals and organisations to a meeting to discuss the incident at D H Peta High School in teridgeville.

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