

South Africa officials raid black township

SEBOKENG, South Africa — About 7,000 soldiers and police sealed off the black township of Sebokeng before dawn today and searched thousands of homes arresting 348 per-

sons in an attempt to defuse a two-month outbreak of anti-government rioting.

Police spokesman Lt. Henry Beck told reporters at the nearby white town of Vereeniging there was no resistance to the raid in the township, about 40 miles south of Johannesburg, and no shots were fired. He said 348 people were

arrested by midday in one of the largest domestic security operations since the Soweto anti-apartheid riots of 1976.

Beck said the white-minority government was demonstrating to other black townships that "it is our intention to restore law-and-order." Law and Order Minister Louis le Grange said

in a statement that the prolonged unrest was "not only fanned by revolutionary elements but is also exploited by criminal and intimidatory forces. The govern-

ment has decided that this lawlessness must be curbed with all available means." Searchlights flashed across rows of small bungalows.

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GOVERNOR PROCLAIMS WOMEN OF COLOR WEEK

On Monday, Oct. 22, the Las Vegas SENTINEL-VOICE received in the mail from Gov. Richard Bryan's office a news release on his proclamation declaring the week of Oct. 14 through 20 as "Women of Color Week." Obviously the Las Vegas Black community was not able to make any observations due to the late release of such information. It is regretted that the information had not reached this newspaper before the week of observance.

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