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Sobukwe

in his

4th year

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SOBUKWE, former Pan-Africanist Congress leader, started his fourth year of detention without trial on Robben Island yesterday. He is the only person in South Africa detained in this way.

Sobukwe has been on the island since 1963 after completing a three-year jail sentence for incitement arising out of his organisation's campaign against the pass laws.

The 1960 campaign was overtaken by the Sharpeville and Langa riots, the declaration of a state of emergency and the bannings of the Pan-Africanist Congress and the African National Congress.

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Special legislation — the "Sobukwe clause"—was rushed through Parliament at the end of his jailing to empower the Minister of Justice to keep him in detention.

This power has been renewed from year to year. It was passed by Parliament again in February this year — and will keep Sobukwe on Robben Island until at least June 30 next year.

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