



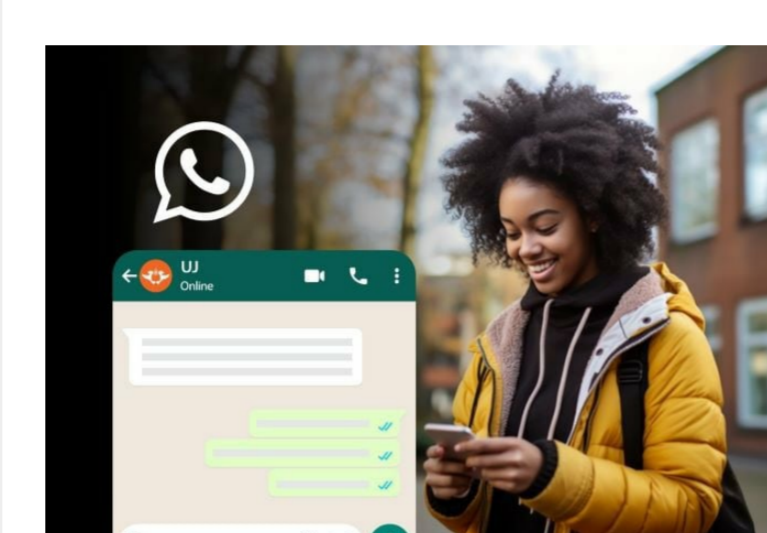
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For 30 years the ANC had a comfortable majority which allowed it to shape policy at home and abroad. The outgoing administration's approach to foreign policy became more assertive recently. It sought to negotiate peace in the Russia-Ukraine War and filed a genocide case at the International Court of Justice against Israel's invasion of Gaza. Though popular, the move against Israel may have split South Africans, some of whom are more concerned about the economy, while others support Israel.... [Read More](#)

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