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### South Africa May Cancel Airbus Order as Cost Climbs

By Mike Cohen, October 15, 2009

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### **Backing for under-fire South Africa boss Santana**

ESPN, October 16, 2009

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### **Mugabe must end 'harassment' of Zimbabwe opposition: US**

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[WASHINGTON (AFP) – Washington on Thursday demanded that Zimbabwe's President Robert Mugabe "end the harassment" of the opposition, after the Harare government detained a top aide to Prime Minister Morgan Tsvangirai.]

### **Zimbabwe PM cancels meet amid new doubts over unity deal**

AFP, October 15, 2009

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[HARARE (AFP) – Zimbabwe's Prime Minister Morgan Tsvangirai suspended a cabinet meeting Thursday amid fresh doubts over the country's unity government following the detention of one of his top aides on terrorism charges.]