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(South Africa facing a technical recession, Cape storms, terror attacks, electricity tariff hike, unqualified or underqualified teachers and the future of gas)

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Terror attacks		
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Proposed electricity tariff hike		
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Future of gas and oil in SA		
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