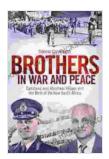
# Constand And Abraham Viljoen And The Birth Of The New South Africa



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Constand and Abraham Viljoen were two brothers who played a significant role in the history of South Africa. Constand was a military leader and politician, while Abraham was a clergyman and community activist.

Together, they helped to shape the country's future.

#### **Constand Viljoen**

Constand Viljoen was born in 1933 in the town of Klerksdorp, South Africa. He was the son of a farmer and was raised in a strict Calvinist household. Viljoen attended the University of Pretoria, where he studied law. After graduating, he joined the South African Police Force.

In 1960, Viljoen left the police force to join the Afrikaner
Weerstandsbeweging (AWB), a right-wing paramilitary organization. The
AWB was opposed to the apartheid system and advocated for the creation

of a separate Afrikaner state. Viljoen quickly rose through the ranks of the AWB, becoming its leader in 1973.

Under Viljoen's leadership, the AWB became increasingly involved in violence. In 1985, the AWB attacked a police station in the town of Ventersdorp, killing three people. The attack led to the banning of the AWB and Viljoen's arrest.

Viljoen was released from prison in 1990, after the release of Nelson Mandela and the unbanning of the African National Congress. He then became involved in the negotiations that led to the end of apartheid and the establishment of a new democratic South Africa.

Viljoen was elected to the South African Parliament in 1994. He served as a member of Parliament until 2001, when he retired from politics.

#### Abraham Viljoen

Abraham Viljoen was born in 1935 in the town of Ventersdorp, South Africa. He was the son of a farmer and was raised in a strict Calvinist household. Viljoen attended the University of Pretoria, where he studied theology. After graduating, he was ordained as a minister in the Dutch Reformed Church.

Viljoen was a strong critic of the apartheid system. He believed that it was a sin against God and that it had no place in a Christian society. Viljoen was also a strong advocate for the rights of the poor and marginalized.

In 1976, Viljoen was arrested for his involvement in the anti-apartheid movement. He was charged with sedition and spent two years in prison. After his release, Viljoen continued to speak out against apartheid.

In 1990, Viljoen was elected to the South African Parliament. He served as

a member of Parliament until 1999, when he retired.

The Viljoen Brothers And The New South Africa

Constand and Abraham Viljoen were two of the most influential figures in

the history of South Africa. They were both strong advocates for justice and

equality, and they played a major role in the creation of the new South

Africa.

Constand Viljoen was a military leader who fought against apartheid. He

was a controversial figure, but he was also a respected leader.

Abraham Viljoen was a clergyman and community activist who worked for

peace and reconciliation. He was a respected figure in both the Afrikaner

and black communities.

Together, the Viljoen brothers helped to shape the future of South Africa.

They were instrumental in the end of apartheid and the establishment of a

new democracy.

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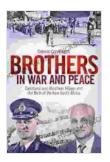
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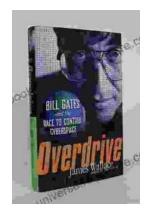
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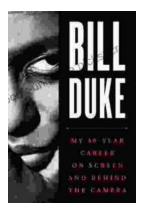
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