

Door jammed on Numsa's return to Cosatu fold

Efforts by the National Union of Mineworkers to bring the National Union of Metalworkers of SA (Numsa) back into the Cosatu fold have hit a snag, reports **City Press**. A SA Federation of Trade Unions national executive committee meeting has discussed the possibility of the move, along with the Food and Allied Workers' Union and Numsa forging a 'principled unity' with Cosatu. But it appears that Numsa has shut the door on calls for it to return to Cosatu. Numsa general-secretary Irvin Jim said: 'Let us put the record straight, there is no formal process that has been taken by Cosatu to approach Numsa **for the much talked about clarion call for Numsa to return to Cosatu**. Numsa leadership will never be opposed to the principle of the unity of workers. This we have demonstrated in the wage negotiation in Eskom and in the bus strike negotiations, where Numsa worked together with Satawu and other unions.'