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Under the hammer ... photos signed by President Mandela as well as Rugby World Cup clothing, badges and plaques.



It promises to be the sale of the century

Two entrepreneurs, an American and South African, are planning the South Africa's biggest non-property auction in September.

The list of items for sale is both large and unusual.

The public will be able to bid for everything from Mandela memorabilia to "Whites Only" signs, former Government documents, decrees, homeland articles, emblems, ANC pre-election posters, AWB items, Rugby World Cup 1995 memorabilia, and even ostrich eggs, hippo teeth and mohair.

"The value of items on auction is about R35 million at present but will

increase by the time of the auction," says Norris Barker of African American Trading Company.

Barker says the two main drawcards are 2,6 million original IEC election ballot papers and the 300 000 sheets of 25 stamps commemorating President Mandela's inauguration. They items were procured directly from the new South African government and they represent 100% of that available.

Barker also expects enthusiastic bidding for the only authorised photographs of Mandela as well as Rugby World Cup clothes, badges and plaques