

2010: the countdown begins

Yesterday President Zuma officially started the final countdown for the football World Cup 2010, emphatically declaring “We have made it.”

Exactly 365 days before the opening game, South Africa’s newly elected President kicked a ball into cheering crowds in the Green Point Stadium in Cape Town and set the countdown clock ticking.

“Many said we would not succeed but South Africans have proved they can rise to the challenge.” Mr. Zuma said in an atmosphere of enthusiasm and celebration.

For the first time the world’s biggest sporting event will be held in the African continent and next year South Africa will be in the global spotlight.

ACTSA is using this opportunity to build solidarity between the people of Britain and southern Africa.