

The Tale of Profit

in numbers

R501 billion

spent from the Special Defence Account on weapons and intelligence (1974–1994)*

*Historical value = R50 billion

600:1

The size of the Special Defence Account versus the Information Scandal

76 Armscor front companies in Liberia

39 in Panama – linked to hundreds of bank accounts

30 the number of Armscor officials working on the top floor of South Africa's embassy in Paris, tasked with buying weapons and managing the money-laundering network.

844 bank accounts

in 196 banks across at least 27 countries helped Armscor move money around the globe to bust sanctions.

40
years

The legacy of economic crime from apartheid to contemporary state capture

'One of the most important global money-laundering schemes ever'

~Professor Mark Pieth.

The five permanent members

All five members of the UN Security Council – France, UK, USA, China and the Soviet Union – busting sanctions by selling weapons and/or technology to apartheid South Africa

R42+ million

in donations to the National Party from 48 individuals and companies revealed for the first time*

*Historical value = R4.5 million

47 countries identified as collaborating to bust arms, oil and trade sanctions for apartheid South Africa