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**CDA calls on Zuma to take leave of absence**

“One cannot expect from the ANC to remove Pres. Jacob Zuma from office on the grounds of section 89 of the constitution, thus we call on the governing party to pressurize him to take leave from office and appoint an acting president until such time as serious allegations against the head of state have been properly investigated.” So says Rev. Theunis Botha, acting chair of the Christian Democratic alliance (CDA) and leader of the Christian Democratic Party (CDP).

“It is hard to imagine that Pres. Zuma is not in breach of the Code of Ethics, prescribed by Section 95 of the constitution. Simply too many worms are now crawling out of the can. The country has already suffered major loss in esteem ahead of the 2010 Fifa event, and the focus on the country will intensify even more over the next three months.”

**Die CDA doen 'n beroep op Zuma om verlof te neem sodat hy ondersoek kan word**

“Aangesien 'n mens nie van die ANC kan verwag om pres. Jacob Zuma van sy presidentskap te onthef in terme van artikel 89 van die grondwet nie, doen ons 'n beroep op die regerende party om druk op die president uit te oefen om verlof te neem en 'n waarnemende president aan te wys tot tyd en wyl ernstige bewerings teen die president behoorlik ondersoek is.” So sê ds. Theunis Botha, waarnemende voorsitter van die Christen-Demokratiese Alliansie (CDA) en leier van die Christen Demokratiese Party (CDP).

“Dit is moeilik om om, mens in te dink dat pres. Zuma nie in stryd met die etiese kodes soos in artikel 95 van die grondwet voorgeskryf, optree nie. Daar kruip net te veel goggas uit. Die land se beeld het reeds onberekenbare skade in die aanloop tot die Fifa-toernooi gely, en die vergrootglase sal oor die volgende drie maande selfs nog meer op Suid-Afrika gefokus bly.”