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The ANC has no interest in justice

“ANC’s Jaqueline Mofokeng is reported to have made a statement, in which she attacked the CPF in Valhalla and called for it to be disbanded. The question is who is this Jacqueline Mofokeng, acting as spokesperson of the ANC? She was reacting to the death of a vagrant who had apparently been beaten to death. But, as the results of an autopsy are not known, this yet has to be confirmed. But this did not prevent her from jumping in boots and all and comparing the incident to the case of the Waterkloof four. Her reckless statements regarding the issues of the Valhalla community and the arrested CPF member are irresponsible,” so says Clr Richard Botha of the Christian Democratic Party.

“When the news of the arrest broke, everyone was carefully waiting for the case to be properly investigated and the facts established. Not so the ANC. They rushed in like a bull in a china store and ran rough shod over legal checks and balances, totally forgetting about ‘being innocent until proven guilty’. When an elderly couple was attacked in Valhalla, not so long ago, and her husband, who was very ill with cancer, was beaten to death, where was the ANC then, to condemn this callous attack on an elderly couple? Where are they when law abiding citizens are attacked in their homes, brutally assaulted and robbed? Are they silent, because the victims are white?”

“As the government, the ANC have a responsibility to encourage good relationships. Without this there is no hope for a future of this country. Perhaps the ANC’s plans for a future South Africa is one that excludes everyone else, but the ANC. Let us not judge the situation before there has been a full investigation and the truth has been revealed and let us not come to any conclusions based on emotions and accusations. As far as the statement of the ANC’s Jaqueline Mofokeng, who said that the CPF does not serve our communities, once again, this is a one sided observation. There are many in the community of Valhalla etc. who feel differently. The members of the CPF give up precious time to protect our streets and the lives of our residents, without any remuneration. In some cases it is at great expense and sacrifice to themselves. Of course all this would not have been necessary had the police themselves actually done the job that they are paid to do!”

ANC stel nie geregtigheid belang nie

“Jaqueline Mofokeng van die ANC het na berig word ‘n verklaring uitgereik waarin sy ‘n aanval loods op die Gemeenskapspoliëeringsforum in Valhalla en gevra het dat dit ontbind word. Wié is hierdie Jacqueline Mofokeng wat as woordvoerder van die ANC optree? Sy het gereageer op die dood van ‘n rondloper wat skynbaar doodgeslaan is. Maar, aangesien die uitslae van die nadoodse ondersoek nog nie bekend is nie, moet dit nog bevestig word. Maar dié besonderheid het haar nie verhinder om met stewels en al in te spring, en die geval met die Waterkloof-vier te vergelyk nie. Haar roekelose uitsprake oor sake wat die Valhalla-gemeenskap raak en oor die gearresteerde GPF-lid is onaanvaarbaar,” aldus Richard Botha, Tshwane-raadslid van die Christen-Demokratiese party (CDP).

“Toe die nuus bekend geword het oor die arrestasie, was almal omsigtig in hoe hulle hulself daaroor bewoord het voor die saak nie behoorlik ondersoek, en die feite vasgestel is nie. Maar nie die ANC nie! Hulle het stormenderhand ingestorm, en alle regsbeginnels oorboord gegooi, waaronder die beginsel van ‘onskuldig tot skuld bewys is.’ Toe ‘n bejaarde egpaar onlangs in Valhalla aangeval, en die man wat baie siek aan kanker was doodgeslaan is, waar was die ANC toe om hierdie aanval te veroordeel? Waar is die ANC wanneer wetsgehoorsame burgers in hul eie huise aangeval word, wreedaardig aangerand en beroof word? Is hulle dan stil omdat die slagoffers wit is?”

“As regering het die ANC die verantwoordelikheid om goeie verhoudings te verseker. Hiersonder is daar geen hoop vir ‘n toekoms vir die land nie. Moontlik is die ANC se planne iets wat almal behalwe die ANC uitsluit. Ons moenie die huidige insident beoordeel voor dit behoorlik ondersoek is nie, en ons moenie dat emosies ons gevolgtrekkings laat maak nie.

“Mofokeng se opmerking dat die GPF’s nie ons gemeenskappe dien nie, is ‘n eenogige waarneming. Baie mense in Valhalla voel anders hieroor. Die lede van die GPF offer kosbare tyd op om ons strate te beveilig en die lewens van ons burgers te beskerm, sonder dat hulle ‘n sent vergoeding ontvang. In sommige gevalle verg dit groot opofferings en uitgawes. Uiteraard sou niks hiervan nodig gewees het nie as die polisie self die werk gedoen het waarvoor hulle betaal word.”