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CDP on Workers' Day

"The Christian Democratic Party (CDP) wants to use Workers' Day to once again focus on the unacceptable unemployment crisis in the country," says CDP leader, Rev. Theunis Botha.

"We urge government to:

- properly implement the national development plan, and halt all undermining legislation such as the bill currently under consideration which promotes a licensing system, that will further stifle entrepreneurship, and thus create even more unemployment;
- halt other restraints such as cadre deployment and racial quotas that are further preventing the economy from operating at its full potential;
- stop radical union Leaders from damaging the economy by calling for nation-wide strikes in support of unrealistic wage increases. It is time the workers realise that they are being used as political footballs. How many poor or unemployed union leaders do you know?

"The CDP also urges government to seriously turn around South Africa's decline on the corruption perception index.

"Only then will workers actually have reason to celebrate Workers' Day."

CDP oor Werkersdag

"Die Christen-Demokratiese Party (CDP) wil Werkersdag benut om weer te besin oor die onaanvaarbare werkloosheidsprobleem in die land," aldus die CDP-leier, ds. Theunis Botha

"Ons moedig die regering aan om:

- die nasionale ontwikkelingsplan behoorlik te implementeer, en ondermynende wetgewing te skrap, soos die beoogde wetsontwerp wat nou oorweeg word en wat tot gevolg sal hê om deur 'n lisensiëringstelsel entrepreneurskap nog verder te smoor en so werkloosheid aan te blaas.
- ander belemmerings vir ekonomiese groei, soos kaderontploffing en ander rassebeperkings te skrap sodat die ekonomie volgens sy potensiaal kan groei.
- radikale vakbondleiers te stuit in die aandrag op onrealistiese salariseise. Dit is tyd dat die werkers besef hulle word as politieke speelballe gebruik. Hoeveel arm en werklose vakbondleiers is daar?

"Die CDP moedig die regering ook aan om Suid-Afrika se tuimeling op die korrupsiepersepsie-indeks te stuit.

"Slegs dan sal werkers rede hê om Werkersdag te vier."