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**National Democratic Revolution fails**

“It should now be clear, even to the most ideologically driven and short sighted, that it is extremely irresponsible for government to continue speaking about the National Democratic Revolution,” says Rev. Theunis Botha, leader of the Christian Democratic Party (CDP) in reaction to the latest unemployment figures. These indicate an official 25 % and unofficial of 36,1 % of unemployed.”

“It is clear that government is placing too much effort on being an employment provider, and does too little for the private sector – the productive sector – to thrive. This indicates a hopelessly inadequate understanding of economics, similar to the use of the word democracy when a dictatorship of the majority – or even worse, a contemporary Mandaryn elite is understood.”

“The fact is that economic growth and using terms such as ‘revolution’ , and the impression given that the country is run by a youngster with no sense of responsibility, will not provide employment, irrespective of how many international conferences the lame duck president attends.”

**Nasionale demokratiese rewolusie faal**

“Dit behoort nou baie duidelik te wees, selfs tot die mees ideologiese gedrewe blindes dat dit uiters onverantwoordelik is vir die regering om aan te hou met praatjies oor die nasionale demokratiese rewolusie.” So sê ds. Theunis Botha, leier van die Christen-Demokratiese Party (CDP) in reaksie op die nuus dat Suid-Afrika nou ‘n amptelike werkloosheidskoers van 25 %, en ‘n nie-amptelike 36,1 %, het.

“Dit is duidelik dat die regering te veel klem daarop plaas om self ‘n werkgewer te probeer wees, en te min aandag daaraan skenk om ‘n klimaat te bou wat bevorderlik is vir werkskepping waar dit hoort – in die private (produktiewe) sektor. Dit dui op ‘n hopelose onbegrip van ekonomie, soortgelyk soos dat die ANC ‘n begrip soos ‘demokrasie’ verstaan as ‘diktatuur van die meerderheid – of nog erger, ‘n eietydse Mandarynse bedeling van ‘n elite.”

“Die feit is dat onversoenbares soos ‘ekonomiese groei’ en ‘rewolusie’ saam-saam gebruik word, en dat die indruk geskep word dat die land in effek deur ‘n jeugdige met ‘n los bek regeer word. So ‘n ekonomie sal nie werksgeleenthede skep nie, al woon ‘n president sonder verantwoordelike leierskap ook hoeveel internasionale berade by.”