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Rand tumbles as Zuma does it again - CDP

“Irrespective of the fact, that the ANC reacted to statements, that Zuma’s speech was responsible for the fall in the value of the rand, by saying, that this criticism could not be scientifically proven, it is now way past midnight, for the ANC to realize that Pres. Jacob Zuma’s continued presidency, is disastrous for the country. This could hardly have been better demonstrated than when Zuma attempted yesterday to counter sceptism of the economy, and the rand tumbled to R10 to the dollar, a few hours later.

“The country simply cannot afford Zuma any longer,” says Rev. Theunis Botha, leader of the Christian Democratic Party (CDP).

“Even if polls indicate that Zuma personally has much support especially in the rural areas, this does not apply where it matters economically.

“Foreign investment confidence also suffers when the media abroad portrays Zuma as a caricature. This can only be blamed on his own outrageous statements and actions. It also does not seem as though he is any the wiser after his actions have cause another crises.”

Rand tuimel terwyl Zuma weer sy voet daarin sit - CDP

“Ongeag die feit dat die ANC op stellinge gereageer het dat Zuma se toespraak die rand laat tuimel het, deur te sê dit kan nie wetenskaplik bevestig word nie, is dit nou hoog tyd dat dit tot ANC deurdring dat pres. Jacob Zuma se voortgesette presidensie ‘n ramp vir die land is. Dit kon beswaarlik beter weerspieël word as toe Zuma gister ingespan is om vertroue in die ekonomie te blaas, en die rand ‘n paar uur later tot R10 teen die dollar getuimel het.

“Die land kan Zuma eenvoudig nie langer bekostig nie,” sê ds Theunis Botha, leier van die Christen-Demokratiese Party (CDP).

“Selfs al dui peilings daarop dat Zuma persoonlik baie steun veral op die platteland geniet, is dit nie die geval waar dit ekonomies saak maak nie.

“Buitelandse beleggingsvetroue ly ook daaronder as die buitelandse media hom toenemend as karikatuur uitbeeld. Hiervoor kan hy net sy eie optredes en veral sy belaglike uitlatings blameer. En dit lyk nie of hy deur die skandes enigsins wyser word nie.”