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CDP reageer op huismoles-bewerings in die president se harem

“Terwyl die berigte oor die beweerde buite-egtelike en anders optredes van pres. Jacob Zuma se tweede vrou, bekend as MaNtuli, nog onbevestig is, beperk die CDP sy kommentaar bloot tot die beginsels sake: Poligame huwelike is ongewens en onbybels.” So sê die leier van die Christen-Demokratiese Party (CDP) en waarnemende voorsitter van die Christen-Demokratiese Alliansie (CDA), ds. Theunis Botha.

“Die wettiging van poligame huwelike met animistiese herkoms binne ‘n liberale grondwetlike bedeling ([‘n tipe grondwet waarmee ons in ieder geval ‘n probleem het](#)) is bestem om problematies te wees. Terwyl die poligame huwelike die man se status tot ‘n patriarch verhoog, maak dit kleingeld van die grondwetlike verbod op geslagsdiskriminasie. Is die liberale beginsels deurgetrek, sou MaNtuli met dieselfde vryheid met nog mans kon trou. Dit skep ‘n belaglike situasie, bloot omdat die president self in die eerste plek sy drange so wyd moet bevredig.”

“Ons vra dat die wetgewing wat poligame huwelike toelaat, onverwyld geskrap word.”

CDP reacts to allegations that all is not well in the Zuma harem

“As reports on the unfaithfulness and other alleged activities of Pres. Jacob Zuma’s second wife, known as MaNtuli, are unconfirmed, the CDP limits its response to the principles involved. Polygamist marriages are, as far as the CDP is concerned, unacceptable and unbiblical.” So says Christian Democratic Party (CDP) leader and acting chair of the Christian Democratic Alliance (CDA), Rev Theunis Botha.

“Polygamist marriages of animistic origin in a liberal constitutional framework, with which we have a problem anyhow, are bound to create a predicament. Whilst the status of the man is elevated to that of the patriarch, it makes nonsense of the constitutional ban on gender discrimination. Had liberal principles been applied consequently, MaNtuli would have had the same rights as Jacob Zuma, which is to marry more than one husband. This creates an absurd situation, all because the president himself needs to do bed hopping in order to satisfy his sexual urges.”

“We ask that legislation, allowing polygamist marriages, be scrapped immediately.”