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**Seriti moet sokkies optrek vir geloofwaardigheid**

“Suid-Afrika kan eenvoudig nie bekostig dat die Seriti-ondersoek na die wapenskandaal ook onder ‘n wolk van wantroue bly staan nie,” sê ds. Theunis Botha, leier van die Christen-Demokratiese Party (CDP).

“Ongelukkig staan die kommissie reeds onder ernstige verdenking en gaan dit ‘n groot poging van regter Willie Seriti verg om geloofwaardigheid te herstel.

“Die jongste gebeure versterk egter die vermoede dat erg voete gesleep gaan word om te verseker dat enige bevinding nie die ANC in volgende jaar se algemene verkiesing gaan benadeel nie.

“Die onus is ook op Seriti om die beeld en geloofwaardigheid van die regbank te beskerm/

**Onus on Seriti to confirm credibility**

“South Africa can simply not afford for the Seriti Commision’s investigation into the arms deal to continue under a cloud of suspicion.” says Rev. Theunis Botha, leader of the Christian Democratic Party (CDP).

“Unfortunately, some serious questions regarding the credibility of the commission has already been raised, and it will require a major effort by Judge Willie Seriti to restore faith in the integrity of the proceedings.

“Latest developments , however, only contribute to strengthening the notion that the commission is going to drag its feet, so as to prolong matters until after next year’s general elections, in order to save the ANC from certain embarrassment.

“The onus also rests on Seriti to protect the credibility of the courts.”