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**CDA reacts to ANC councillor's prayer remark**

The Christian Democratic Alliance (CDA) reacted strongly to an incident in the Mangaung Council when an ANC councillor said God does not listen when people pray in Afrikaans.

"It seems more and more as though the ANC is bent on subjecting the judiciary, Chapter 9 bodies and even churches to fall in line with ANC structural obedience, but trying to be prescriptive to the Lord takes matters way to far."

"In the same process yet another attack is launched on inter group relations, which is already under stress precisely because of irresponsible outbursts," says Rev. Theunis Botha, deputy chair of the CDA.

"Christians and supporters of other religions already had to experience repeatedly how matters on which they have strong beliefs, such as abortion and gambling, are simply subordinated to ANC ideology."

**CDA reageer op ANC-raadslid se gebedsopmerking**

Die Christen Demokratiese Alliansie (CDA) het skerp gereageer op 'n voorval in die Mangaung-raad toe 'n ANC-raadslid gesê het God luister nie as 'n mens in Afrikaans bid nie.

"Dit kom al hoe meer voor asof die ANC nie skroom om die regbank, die Hoofstuk 9 liggame en selfs kerke tot sy strukturele onderdanigheid te probeer opvorder nie, maar om aan die Allerhoogste voorskriftelik te raak is laakbaar."

"In die proses word boonop nog 'n liederlike aanval op tussengroepverhoudinge geloods, wat die afgelope ruk weens verskeie uitsprake en optredes onder groter druk geplaas is," aldus ds. Theunis Botha, ondervoorsitter van die CDA.

"Christene en aanhangers van ander gelowe moes nou al by herhaling ervaar hoe sake waaroor hulle sterk voel, soos aborsies en dobbel, eenvoudig ondergeskik gestel word tot die ANC-ideologie."