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CDA se Rubican-standpunt

"Ons glo oud-pres. F.W. de Klerk het moontlik goed bedoel toe hy 20 jaar gelede die Rubicon oorgesteek het, en dat daar volgens hom 'n onafwendbaarheid was om die status quo te verander." So sê ds. Theunis Botha, leier van die Christen-demokratiese Party (CDP) en waarnemende voorsitter van die Christen-Demokratiese Alliansie (CDA) in reaksie op die 20ste herdenking van dié historiese gebeurtenis.

"'n Boom word egter aan sy vrug getoets, en dit is hier waar ons minder gelukkig is. Asof simbolies van wat die ANC van die gevolglike skikking dink word Pretoria se naam te midde van groot omstredenheid verander – 'n ernstige skop in die tande van die land se versoeningsproses, word verklaar die president van die land se buite-egtelike kind is 'n privaat aangeleentheid, en haal plaasmoorde nou aan die vooraand van die Wêreld-sokkertoernooi die buitelandse pers."

"Dan het ons nog nie eens begin praat oor die gereduseerde posisie wat Christelike waardes teenoor 'n siek vertolking van 'n liberale grondwet moet inneem nie. Die geploeter en polarisasie sal voortgaan totdat Suid-Afrika 'n grondwet in pas met die meerderheidswil van die mense en wat op referendums, moraliteit, versoening en dissipline afgestem is."

CDA's Rubicon statement

"We believe former Pres. FW de Klerk's possibly meant well when crossing the Rubicon 20 years ago, and when stating that there was some measure of unavoidability to change." So says Rev. Theunis Botha, leader of the Christian Democratic Party (CDP) and acting chair of the Christian Democratic Alliance (CDA), reacting to this historic event's 20th anniversary.

"A tree is, however, judged by the fruit it bears, and this is where we are unfortunately less than happy. As though, sending out a symbolic message of what the ANC thinks of the settlement that has been achieved, Pretoria's name is being changed amidst much controversy, a kick in the teeth of the country's reconciliation process, the government declares that the President's child born from adultery is a private matter, and farm murders now hit the press abroad shortly before the kick off, for the World Cup Soccer tournament.

"In the process we have not even started to point out the undermining of Christian values as a result of a sick liberal interpretation of the constitution. The mud peddling and polarisation will continue until such time as South Africa's constitution is brought in line with the wishes of the majority of South Africans and is based on referendums, sound morality, reconciliation and discipline."