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CDP's response to Malema trust fund

"A bit more enthusiasm ... quite a bit more enthusiasm," is what the Christian Democratic Party (CDP) would like to see from the ANC in their commitment to combat corruption," says CDP leader Rev. Theunis Botha, in reaction to the weekend's revelations on a trust fund apparently benefiting Julius Malema.

"ANC Secretary General Gwede Mantashe recently aired a discussion document in which concern was expressed with the extent to which corruption perception is harming the ANC. What should be far more concerning, is the damage it is doing to the country."

"Several academics state that corruption has reached pandemic proportions in South Africa. This simply means that the economic mechanisms are no longer working, and the unemployment levels should come as no surprise as huge amounts of money is found in pockets where they do not belong. "Showing more serious intent on rooting out corruption will at least benefit South Africa's position on the corruption perception index, and thus encourage more investment and employment. "

"We applaud the media for uncovering the latest Malema related controversy."

CDP se reaksie op Malema se trustfonds

"n Bietjie meer entoesiasme ... in werklikheid heelwat meer entoesiasme is wat die Christendemokratiese Party (CDP) van die ANC vra om korruptsie hok te slaan," sê ds. Theunis Botha, leier van die CDP in reaksie op die naweek se nuus oor 'n trustfonds wat skynbaar ten bate van Julius Malema bestaan.

"Die sekretaris-generaal van die ANC, Gwede Mantashe het onlangs 'n besprekingsdokument hanteer waarin kommer uitgespreek word oor die beeldskade wat die ANC ly as gevolg van persepsies oor korruptsie. Die skade wat dit die land aanrig, is egter veel belangriker."

"Verskeie akademici verwys reeds na Suid-Afrika as land waar korruptsie endemies geword het. Dit beteken gewoon dat ekonomiese mechanismes nie meer werk nie, en iets soos werkloosheid behoort geen verassing te wees nie aangesien astronomiese bedrae geld in sakke rondsweef waar dit nie hoort nie."

"As die ANC meer erns aan die dag lê om korruptsie uit te roei sal Suid-Afrika se posisie minstens op die korruptsie-persepsieindeks verbeter, en meer beleggings en werkgeleenthede kan volg.

"Ons loof die media wat die jongste Malema-verwante omstredenheid openbaar het."