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The expression profound disappointment of the Government attitude towards the finalization and promulgation of the Act of Disbursement of Reparation to all the victims of the gross of Human Rights Violations who were identified by the TRC Process in 1998

We are extremely shocked and despair as Khulumane members and victims of Gross Human Rights Violations to realize that the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development and the Committee on Reparations has released the draft Regulations for the Provision of Urgent Education and Health Assistance to the victims, even though we appealed for several times from various Government Departments. We even highlighted our inputs to the Deputy President Khalema Motlanthe to please consider our problems as the victims and survivors that we are facing on daily basis.

Moreover we asked the Department of Justice not to finalize the Regulations on reparations without taken due cognizes of our recommendation.

After a delay of thirteen years we have waited in anticipation for Government to come up with clear and comprehensive policy on reparation for every victim to benefit instead the Department of Justice regulate only 2 benefits Education and Health Assistance.

We extremely find this action of the Government contradict with the recommendations of the TRC in 1998 that the President Nelson Mandela and his Parliament to consider the following inputs and recommendations:

1. The victims must be included in the Committee on reparation.
2. Build enough houses for the victims and their house hold.
3. Establish a Family Trust Fund for the victims and their dependants to benefit and live a life.
4. Give a Skill Development Training to the victims and their dependants.
5. Great the job opportunities for the victims and their dependants.

6. Lastly refer the victims to Psychologists, Phisio Therapies and Orto Pedics because the victims need a proper healing as they suffered emotional, physically and mentally.

We certainly feel that the Government sidelined us for too long since 2003, also we are saying that the current Government is closing a chapter for us, but open a chapter for MKVA and other Freedom Fighters. This kind of action of Government of discrimination other people and giving the other [veterance] attention should be reviewed and revisited by the President to ensure that Justice and Equity prevails and also to readdress the discourse and imbalance cause by the then President Mbeki Administration by paying a once off of R30 000,00 to the victims of the Gross of Human Rights Violations. Where and how did he get the formula that he used to determine the subsequent amount. There where investigations and inquiries by the TRC Unit and Commissioners as what formula must be utilized in order to repartee the victims. It was found out by those stakeholders that R120 000,00 over a period of six years will be very adequate for the course, however President Mbeki with his arrogant attitude decided to betray the victims and their dependants.

In conclusion the consequence of ignoring the plights of approximately 21 000 and part and integral of the SA population has a potentially dangerous implications for the country. We are very determined to attract your attention, even more than prepared to go to jail if it need bee. We lived destitute lives for a very long time, we don't even have an economic freedom. From all the Government programmes we are not benefitting from 1995.

Moreover I wish to point out to you Mr President to please intervene in this regard to find a permanent resolution in resolving this reparation matter.

On 16 June 2011 approximately a group of 450 Khulumane members marched outside Cape Town Parliament. Again on 17 June 2011 more than 350 Khulumane members handed over their memorandum to the Minister of Finance on 25th May 2011 I and a group of 400 people here in Tumahole [Political Power House] wrote a petition letter and signed it and faxed it to Adv Botha in the Department of Justice and Constitution to oppose the Draft Regulations. There is going to be more similar chaotic marches and demonstrations if there is no political intervention from Lothuli House.

Other issues that I would like to touch is that our delegation [Khulumane] went to Lothuli House to met with the NEC to discuss the pressing issues however on the 30 June 2011 they were told to come back on the 17 June 2011 again the 17-18 June 2011 up until now Mr President we are still trying to secure the meeting unsuccessfully.

Another pressing matter is that from the challenges that we are facing on the daily basic is the International Law Suit for those companies that abated Apartheid Government on the 18th September 1998. The former President Mbeki and dr Penuel Maduna wrote a negative statement to an American Judge to appeal to him that he must not consider our litigation so the statement had a negative impact for us to accomplish a rapid and steadfast outcome.

We were advised Mr President by our International Lawyers that our only option on this is if the President of this country can write a letter detailing that you don't have any problem with Khulumane Victims Support Group in persuing the reparation matter in American Court. The writing of the letter would have a significant and fundamental impact not only for Khulumane but for the millions of South Africa.

The men and women [hero's and heroins] are the ones who helped this country to achieve a new political dispensation. Also they have sacrifice their lives for the struggle.

Currently the Judge is reluctant to fast tract the verdict, because he does not know what the general opinion of the President of this Country, but only the statement from the Minister of Justice, Mr Jeff Hadebe. So more than ever we are humbly requesting for your Diplomatic intervention in this matter by writing a letter to the Judge.

Also we the victims of apartheid in Tumahole would like to secure an meeting with your office even if you have a busy schedule we know that. We have strong and pressing issues that we would like to discuss with.

I sincerely hope that your office will find this letter in order and urgently respond to the above address.

In the spirit of the struggle
Revolutionary greetings
Aluta Continua

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