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Minorities in situations of humanitarian crises

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We hereby submit a brief country-specific analysis of the Afrikaner and other minorities in South Africa. We focus specifically on **the early warning stage of preventing a crisis**.

The Afrikaner and various other minorities, including the KhoiSan First Nation communities are experiencing increasing pressure from the government and related political parties. This pressure has taken on various form in law and in practice and is known as “Transformation”. Transformation’s meaning is informed by the term “representivity” and in essence means that all civil and governmental institutions must represent the demographic status of the country. **This means that minorities will always be relegated to an inferior status as no organisation, community, business, school, university, and sports team will receive government support unless it reflects the demographic majoritarian status. This means that minorities may not have complete or majority representation of their own within these mentioned socio-spheres.**

This is a carefully crafted and insidious logic disguised as a constitutional imperative in terms of Section 9 of the Constitution that guarantees equality. The basic point of departure is that everyone is equal before the law and entitled to equal protection and benefit of the law. However, intervention can take legally place in order to ensure equity for those persons that were disadvantaged by unfair discrimination and it is upon this rule that the ANC-government has crafted its “Transformation” and “representivity”-logic where all of society must represent the demographic majority representation as their social-engineered solution.

This “Transformation”-logic has given rise to a whole spate of racial legislation – more so than the apartheid-regime - in the fields of employment and labour, business, government procurement, and not least sport itself. This has led to new imbalances for minorities in the name of equity as these measures have over-reached its original constitutional purpose.

Our request is that this **Forum on Minority Issues** takes serious note of the attempts by the present South African government to absolutely exclude Afrikaners and minorities in South Africa from freely participating in the country since 1994.

Furthermore - to assist in preventing and addressing the structural and systemic violence and atrocities targeted against strategic minorities that mainly contributes to job creation, economic growth and prosperity to the entire South African nation.

The following are examples of exclusion:

- **No legislative or institutional mechanisms** exist whereby minorities can govern over their own cultural assets and whereby their minority rights can be protected and developed in contravention of the prerequisites to prevent a humanitarian crisis¹;
- **Afrikaners are by law** and **other minorities by practice** excluded from the labour and business markets by Transformation policies in favour of ethnically Black people. The imbalance is perpetuated by the fact that the government is continuing to implement affirmative action in the public service even though the demographic representation targets have been met in contravention of the **International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination** (see our report submitted in December 2014)²;
- The government forcing Afrikaans language medium primary and secondary schools to accept non-Afrikaans speaking learners which eventually leads to the transformation of the schools into English language medium schools;
- an unacceptable total of 1651 farm murders against minorities having been committed from 1990 to 2013;
- The government's ideological political propaganda that spreads the misleading myth that white farmers stole the land from black people and that the KhoiSan do not deserve the First Nation title as the first land occupiers. There is sufficient proof that land was either negotiated, bartered or bought after stringent negotiations stretching from 1652 to 1913 and that Black tribes were also responsible in the displacement of the KhoiSan;
- The governing ANC's racist stance to prosecute white hate speech perpetrators, but not senior politicians that actively propagate genocide against white minorities. (Reference Julius Malema, leader of the EFF political party, stating "**We are not calling for the slaughter of white people, at least for now...**").³

Therefore, we, the FREEDOM FRONT PLUS of South Africa, together with other registered South African participants -

Request this **Forum on Minority Issues** to share and adopt our concerns about this systematic exclusion and targeting of Afrikaners and other minorities – which, in the Statute of Rome, is referred to as an institutionalized regime of systematic oppression and domination by one racial group over any other racial group or groups; and

Recommend that the **UN General Secretary** initiates a full investigation in order to pressurize the SA government to put an end to these racially discriminating measures and to promote minority rights actively.

¹ The Secretary-General of the UN warned in his report to the Millennium Assembly of the UN in 2000 that in countries at war the solution lies, inter alia, in the institution of political arrangements where all groups were represented. We submit this is also a pre-requisite for averting conflict and is supported by the Special Rapporteur on Minority Issues in her report referenced as A/HRC/16/45 (dated 16 December 2010).

² Black Economic Empowerment (BEE) policies result in social assistance and investment based on race where score points are achieved for any social investment in projects where blacks are benefited, but none where whites are, thus excluding poor Afrikaners, including their babies and children (inclusive of abandoned Afrikaner babies due to poverty and otherwise), from any assistance and investment.

³ <http://citizen.co.za/news/news-national/1338292/wont-slaughter-whites-now-malema/>

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