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To the UK Government, FCDO & PRIME MINISTER

24th October 2024

The Ongoing Constitutional Injustice in Zimbabwe.

From all sides, both within and without Zimbabwe, the Zanu PF regime is failing. They are failing to act as a government. However, their self-obsession and desire to maintain power – makes them more akin to a Mafia! Its not just us, listen to ZAPU President Michael Nkomo below;

ZAPU President Nkomo Comments 23rd October 2024

<https://zapu.org/the-rogue-regime-in-harare-now-a-regional-threat-to-sadc.html>

[Michael Sibangilizwe Nkomo](#) has written today {23rd October 2024} on the ZAPU.ORG website a heart-felt & poignant message regarding the serious Maternal Death issues within Zimbabwe.

He states: {in support of our Petitions}

“The disastrous reign of ZANU PF in Zimbabwe is now a regional crisis affecting the whole of SADC. Fearing peer review and the regional call for accountability, the rogue regime in Harare is now fomenting chaos by actively participating in the rigging of elections across the SADC region.”

*“So ‘**politically radioactive**’ is ZANU PF that everything it touches turns to chaos.”*

“A short while ago, SADC and the world witnessed ZANU PF members casting ballots for Mozambique's FRELIMO in broad daylight. Such blatant vote rigging and other glaring irregularities have sparked a wave of violent protests by opposition parties and their supporters in Mozambique.”

“Unsurprisingly, Zimbabwe the current SADC Chair, led by President Mnangagwa, has hurried to prematurely congratulate FRELIMO on its electoral victory while the country burns. Heavily armed soldiers in Mozambique have indiscriminately opened fire on protesters, killing some and wounding many.”

“The army's response is reminiscent of the August 1, 2018 killing of Zimbabwean civilians during the post-electoral protests that followed the disputed outcome of general elections that gave President Mnangagwa his first illegitimate term in office.”

- *There is diminishing hope for stability in Mozambique and other SADC member states where ZANU PF **contamination** has been reported.*
- *Recent reports of Namibia awarding **ballot printing to a ZANU PF apparatchik** are worrisome.*
- *Botswana's former President, **Ian Khama has raised alarm**, pointing to possible rigging by ZANU PF in favour of incumbent President Mokgweetsi Masisi.*
- *South Africa's watershed elections in May this year were also reportedly **massaged by ZANU PF**, the self-made regional rigging consultancy.*



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*“For ZANU PF, these regional shenanigans are an existential necessity as SADC standards on free elections are too high for the rogue regime to uphold. The greatest goal for ZANU PF since its formation as a breakaway from ZAPU in 1963, is power retention, preferably in a one-party state. Inspired by the likes of Khmer Rouge and the Taliban, ZANU PF is now a regional cancer that will corrupt the whole SADC region if left unchecked.” **President M S Nkomo, Harare.***

UN Special Rapporteur on HR Defenders - 21st October 2024

<https://srdefenders.org/zimbabwe-enforced-disappearance-cruel-treatment-arbitrary-detention-and-judicial-prosecution-of-namatai-kwekweza-robson-chere-and-samuel-gwenzi-joint-communication/>

The UN Special Rapporteur had written to the Zanu PF regime on 13th August 2024, and have now published their report **{Full report including Zanu PF response is detailed at the above Web Link -on 21st October 2024}**: They stated;

“We have previously communicated concerns to your Excellency’s Government regarding allegations of repeated human rights violations, including abduction, to which Mr. Robson Chere has reportedly been subjected in communication ZWE 2/2022, sent on 15 February 2022. We regret that no response was provided by your Excellency's Government.”

{Continues;}

“On 31 July 2024, at approximately 12.50 p.m., Ms. Namatai Kwekweza, Mr. Robson Chere and a third individual, local councillor for Citizens Coalition for Change, Mr. Samuel Gwenzi, were forcibly removed from a departing flight at Robert Gabriel Mugabe International Airport in Harare. Unidentified men, suspected to be State security agents though wearing Aviation Company of Zimbabwe uniforms, escorted the three to a high security zone in the airport **and held them incommunicado until 9.00 p.m.**”

{Continues;}

“While held incommunicado and being forcibly disappeared, the three individuals were reportedly subjected to torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment. Ms. Namatai Kwekweza, who had recently undergone a dental procedure, had a shoe and a metal bar forced into her mouth, causing her significant distress. Mr Robson Chere was beaten with an iron bar on the soles of his feet, buttocks and lower back while his dreadlocks were cut off with a knife. His attackers further allegedly threatened to kill him or rape his wife if any protests occurred in run-up to the Southern African Development Community (SADC) summit scheduled for 17 August 2024 in Harare. Mr. Robson Chere was also allegedly waterboarded. The third individual, Mr. Samuel Gwenzi, was reportedly beaten and his family members threatened.”

“At approximately 9.00 p.m. on 31 July 2024, the three were reportedly handed over to the *Zimbabwe Republic Police – Criminal Investigation Department, Law and Order section* and transferred to *Harare Central Police Station*. *Only then were they informed that they were being charged with “disorderly conduct” under section 41 of the Criminal Law Codification and Reform Act and permitted access to legal representation. The charges levelled against the human rights*



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defenders relate to their alleged participation in a rally on 27 June 2024 calling for the release from detention of Citizens Coalition for Change interim leader Mr. Jameson Timba.”

{Continues;}

The Zimbabwe {regime} response, again shows their disregard of any and all criticism or ‘exposure’ of their clear Human Rights violations: Clearly in denial of the events subsequent to the abduction of these 3 individuals and their treatment whilst “**Forcibly Disappeared**”.

“Government {Zanu PF regime response} has also noted the disturbing pattern by some non-state actors to deliberately and mischievously cause anarchy particularly, ahead of major international events, in order to discredit the Government. These unlawful actions, have become sources of unverified information which, unfortunately, are authoritatively used as the basis of allegations of human rights violations against Zimbabwe.”

UPDATE: However, on Twitter this morning a report from 22nd October by Senator David Coltart states:

“I am utterly appalled that a fellow lawyer could make such a callous & flippant statement regarding an allegation of torture made by one of our brightest young women. This type of conduct is a disgraceful, unprofessional and should be condemned by the @lawsocietyofzim”

<https://x.com/DavidColtart/status/1848945472817209417>

David Coltart was reporting, concerning

*“HOW BIG IS NAMATAI’S MOUTH? asks #Zimbabwe’s **Permanent Secretary of Justice Mrs Vimbai Nyemba** responding to @ZLHRLawyers complaints of torture.*

*“One would wonder how big Namatai’s mouth is unless it is that of a crocodile”
@achpr_cadhp **81st Session BANJUL**”*

It would appear that Mrs V Nyemba is implicitly confirming torture, or this flippant remark is in exceedingly bad taste. So much outrage has been prompted by the Permanent Secretary to the Ministry of Justice Mrs Vimbai Nyemba, that even the victim of this torture made her own statement:

FROM NAMATAI KWEKWEZA *“Zimbabweans gather here and listen.”*

“The Permanent Secretary to the Ministry of Justice Mrs Vimbai Nyemba speaking in Banjul with enthusiasm. Very disappointing to see that this is the person she has become.”

“Unless she was present at the scene of the abduction or if she has spoken to our abductors and they have provided contrary testimony of what happened (to which she has an obligation to tell us who they are and what they said in their contrary testimonies) then she has no business going to international platforms and casting aspersions.”

“There is only one crocodile in Zimbabwe {Mnangagwa is called the Crocodile} and it sure isn’t me. If they have contrary testimony from our abductors, we would really appreciate they acknowledge to the fact and also tell us who the people are.”



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“Further for a permanent secretary in the ministry of justice to utter such statements in a matter that is still before the courts, betrays a level bias in a ministry that should present itself as impartial. Why has she automatically taken to defend our abductors, what is her interest, and further what is the interest of the Ministry of Justice in the matter?”

“I am happy that she has spoken to an international audience for all to see the kinds of things Zimbabwean have to deal with. When we tell people these are the kinds of attitudes our leaders have, they think we are being harsh. I think this helps us all to see for ourselves.”

@MoJLPA @MaryLawlorhrds @ZLHRLawyers @cdegwenzi @robohchere 7:16 AM · Oct 23, 2024
6,561 Views

<https://x.com/namataik/status/1848971652660380153>

ACTSA Tweet 21st October 2024

https://x.com/ACTSA_UK/status/1848369537298604321

*“It's uncomplicated if the Zimbabwe regime stops locking up citizens on trumped-up charges, denying them bail, **jailing pregnant women & children** and enabling life threatening beatings of people for supporting different political parties. Free speech is a condition of democracy.”*

Lord Jonny Oates on Twitter 21st October 2024

https://x.com/jonny_oates/status/1848346809292263917

“It would be damaging to the reputation of the @commonwealthsec”

“if Zimbabwe rejoined while its government continues to detain political leaders and deny human rights, in violation of the Commonwealth Charter.”

Zanu PF are actively DESTABILISING the Southern Africa Region;

HON Job Wiwa Sikhala @JobSikhala1 – Much victimised Zimbabwean Opposition **18th October 2024**

<https://x.com/JobSikhala1/status/1847156872882627005>

*“ZANU PF has become a regional cancer. Addressing a rally recently in Botswana, **President Ian Khama said** ZANU PF has sent its agents to rig the forthcoming elections in Botswana to be held on the 30th of October 2024 for Masisi.”*

““He says the same ZANU PF party has been involved in the rigging of the recent elections in Mozambique. He also points out the party's nocturnal involvement in the SA elections held in May this year.””

“As Zimbabweans, we are being risked to be hated everywhere in the region because of a stinking party that loves to interfere in the domestic affairs of other countries. They are the loudest to cry



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against interference in the domestic affairs of our own country but found practising exactly the same in other nations.”

“The rigging cancer has been spread throughout the region. Everyone is crying against the activities of ZANU PF. They must not create problems for our people living in those countries through their activities in the region. They are no different from those countries sponsoring terrorism in other regions!!!”

We note with some considerable concern that, as predicted and warned by **Chief Ndiweni, ZHRO and ROHR** {as far back as 18th 2019 to FCDO and again specifically on 18th August 2022 with Sarah Ayling, Head of Southern Africa Team, FCDO.

We had already alerted the then Minister for Africa, Vicky Ford for the 20th July 2022 {[see Appendix 6 for letter](#)} which we understand prompted the above meeting at the FCDO on 18th August 2022.

Extracts from our Diaspora Vote Document {**18th August 2022**} included the following;

“Zimbabwe is in a state of crisis and profound instability. As a result, Zimbabwe is destabilising the whole SADC region with at least 4 million Zimbabweans scattered to the remaining 15 SADC countries and another 2 – 3 million to the four corners of the world. The American government stated that the instability of Zimbabwe, “poses a clear and present danger to American foreign policy interests in the SADC Region of Africa “. These words by an American Administration are full of historical foreboding since they were last used on the 1st August 1990 as the world watched the beginning of Operation Desert Storm. The Gulf War. Words that were uttered in The United Nations Security Council by the Late Colin Luther Powell, who was The United States Secretary of State.”

[{See Appendix 7 for the full document}](#)

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/zhro-uk/albums/72177720301413297/> } that the Zanu PF regime are **DESTABILISING** the entire Region.

Evidence from Namibia, Botswana, Mozambique, et al, tends to confirm this insidious aspect. SADC are too "close" to these 'democratic vandals', to be effective. Perhaps the FCDO Southern Africa desk and Minister for Africa and the can lead this ‘campaign’ upon which we should also like to have an input, as diaspora ‘Opposition Voices’ {completely overlooked within Zimbabwe}.

SADC Region Faces Instability Under Mnangagwa’s Chairmanship

“With the release of a hit list earlier this week, it is evident how compromised the entire SADC region has become under Mnangagwa’s leadership. As chairman, Mnangagwa is causing unprecedented instability, both domestically and regionally. His constant campaigning, whether at home or abroad, has led to significant unrest. For instance, the recent elections in Mozambique were marred by irregularities, prompting widespread protests against the alleged rigging. His interference is also evident in Botswana, where his influence is causing further disruption.”

“Mnangagwa’s relentless pursuit of an unconditional presidency by 2030 is leaving a trail of destruction. The international community must be made aware of the constitutional injustices



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occurring in Zimbabwe and the broader instability he is fostering in the region. Mnangagwa's obsession with power is dangerous, and he must be stopped before he causes irreparable harm to the entire region." Basil Kamombe 23rd October 2024 England.

Mnangagwa's Failings

<https://zexit.org/zexit/mnangagwa-failing> 9th October 2024 - 706 'hits' to date (as 22nd October 2024) Extracts:

State Capture: All government ministers are now competing and overstepping one another in trying to please the {unelected} president. Instead of formulating and implementing policies which benefit the people of Zimbabwe, most of their time is now spent on trivial errands trying to 'curry favour' with the {unelected} president. Ministers and members of parliament are continuously showering undue praise to Mnangagwa. All those extravagant gifts to Mnangagwa are not sincere gifts. The main functions of the executive are policy making thus creating policies which determine how a country is run, law implementation thus putting into practice the laws passed by the legislature, managing and administering public services, establishing and enforcing regulations, overseeing national security, defence and managing foreign relations. It is now evident and observable that Mnangagwa's {unelected?} government has gone AWOL and spends most of its time kowtowing.

Parliament emasculated and grounded: The Parliament of Zimbabwe is now in Mnangagwa's pocket. The opposition party members of Parliament have been neutralised, bribed, infiltrated {in many cases - replaced} and weakened. There is no longer any 'voice of reason' in the Parliament. All members of Parliament are now simply focused on enjoying the trappings of power and the decorum which comes with the office of the member of Parliament.

Judiciary corruption: Bribery of judges, political interference, preferential treatment for family members, political allies and friends and the misuse of public funds are now the order of the day in the judiciary courts of Zimbabwe. Judicial corruption is undermining the rule of law and the right to a fair trial in Zimbabwe. This is also hampering economic development by making the laws less stable and predictable.

Media Muzzled: The Herald, The Chronicle, ZBC radio and TV and many other state-controlled media outlets are now singing from the same hymn book. Instead of giving fair, critical and transparent media coverage on issues of national importance, state journalists and news presenters have now been turned into public relations officers for the [Zanu PF] state. Where there was investigative research, it has been replaced by slogans and misleading stories of how the country is making progress.

Recommendations

Our previous Petitions regarding the Zimbabwe Elections held over 23-24th August 2023, Mismanaged by the highly partisan **Zimbabwe Electoral Commission** (ZEC) and the closing down of all opposition voices, including non-Zimbabweans, via the PVO Bill {30th May 2024 Petition} must be a cause for concern.



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1. Zanu PF regime is in effect a 'One-Party-State', but still the regime has lobbyists {apologists} in the UK, Europe and the USA, these people must be challenged.
2. The {significant} Zimbabwean Diaspora community is calling for 'no taxation without representation'. This community is providing substantial liquidity to the Zimbabwean economy and must be allowed a vote. **"The Diaspora Vote"**
 - a. <https://zexit.org/referendum>
 - b. We have suggested an 'Opposition' Government in Exile to further this 'vote';
 - c. Since no Opposition can safely operate within Zimbabwe;
 - d. Any Funding Options/Ideas for a Diaspora vote?
3. ZEC has failed dismally. Democracy has ceased to be evident in Zimbabwe.
4. The "unopposed" passing of the PVO Bill this month will further alienate Zimbabwe in the International Arena.
 - a. <https://mbofanatendairuben.news.blog/2024/10/18/the-pvo-bill-is-a-threat-to-zimbabwes-democracy/>
5. The SADC Presidency {failure?} issue has simply accelerated regional destabilisation
 - a. With evidence of election interference in several SADC Nations cited herein.

Zanu PF and Torture:

Over the years torture victims in Zimbabwe have suffered physical pain, as well as psychological trauma and post-traumatic stress disorder despite the prohibition of torture under customary international law and in the constitution. **Zimbabwe is yet to ratify the UN Convention Against Torture** and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment and is one of only three countries in Africa, including Sudan and Tanzania, that has not yet ratified this important international instrument calling on states to prevent the practice of torture

<https://x.com/protecthrds/status/1805963667277553930?s=46&t=j-WOhzO6EnhYFn5cRd5v>

Economic Mismanagement

Other commentators have cited Zimbabwe as an economic disaster area. Poverty, Inflation, new Currencies {ZiG}, Corruption and Looting have dogged Zimbabwe since Independence 44 years ago.

The tired, and often stated claims of "it is the Sanctions" cannot be given any credence. Water supplies & Sewage treatment collapse, are creating health issues, such as Cholera and Typhoid.

Daily Power Outages across Zimbabwe, are ignored – with false claims of generation capacity.

Nelson Chamisa comments today

"THE LEADERSHIP DARKNESS *That we only get power whilst we are asleep, between 11pm at night and 4am in the morning, is the greatest absurdity."*

"It's 'darkness' driven by a leadership darkness, kwashiorkor of leadership and a drought of light at the top! It's lights out indeed!"



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"The inconvenience and suffering is real and affects all. In this Zimbabwe, one struggles with and for everything. Darkness is everywhere. And it can't be like this forever."

"I want to hear from you and your experiences. What do you think should be done?"

<https://x.com/nelsonchamisa/status/1848985706380591497> 8:11 AM Oct 23, 2024 22.3K Views

@Steve_Hanke {on X; 22nd Oct 2024} registers Zimbabwe Inflation, due to excessive ZiG Printing **"the money supply (M2) is SURGING at 246%/yr. That's why, today, I accurately measure ZIM's inflation at 1266%/yr — THE WORLD'S HIGHEST INFLATION RATE."**

https://x.com/steve_hanke/status/1848680706290909690

Late Breaking

Mozambique's Election Set to Fuel Cynicism 24th Oct 2024

<https://www.cfr.org/blog/mozambiques-election-set-fuel-cynicism>

"International observers found the electoral process itself to have been marred by vote-buying and voter intimidation. Observers from the European Union noted "irregularities during counting and unjustified alteration of election results." There is certainly plenty of time for shenanigans; results are not due until October 24."

"Across the African continent, citizens have been mobilizing to express their dissatisfaction with dysfunctional democracies, economic strain, and high levels of corruption. That trifecta comes together in Mozambique,....."

Mnangagwa's SADC fingerprints are evident here; - **he has already congratulated FRELIMO**

A Crafted Evil Injustice – Personal Thoughts – Dickson Chikwizo

{see full article in Appendix 8}

ZANU PF government track record speaks for itself; -economy failure -currency collapse. - unemployment now 95% -crackdown, arrest, torture, and abduction to silence opposition voices.

ED Mnangagwa pardoned Bobby Makaza, a convicted rapist of a 10 year old girl. Thereafter, the ZANU PF regime pampered him with a car, cash, and house for shouting, "ED Mnangagwa huchi" (meaning ED Mnangagwa is honey) ED Mnangagwa has proven to be a ruthless dictator & striving on violent crackdown on the opposition and rigging elections. **Dickson Chikwizo** 24th October 2024



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Thank you for your attention to this matter. we look forward to hearing from you shortly.

Yours Sincerely, John C Burke {e-mail: john.b@zhro.org.uk }, Basil Kamombe, and Dickson Chikwizo

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Simbarashe Jingo	CCC Milton Keynes branch Chair for Youth Assembly	
Cathrine Gwenhe Lebadou	CCC Manchester branch Organizing Secretary for Women Assembly	
John C Burke	ZHRO: Zimbabwe Human Rights Organisation: FOUNDER	

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Appendices

Appendix 1: Zimbabwean Press Report Further Political Oppression

<https://www.newzimbabwe.com/zimbabwes-state-security-agencies-sniff-out-political-dissidents/>

dated 21st October 2024

“A COVERT operation to weed out dissenting voices is reportedly in full swing as Zimbabwe’s political environment hots up ahead of President Emmerson Mnangagwa’s power retention schemes facing strong resistance from within and outside the ruling establishment.”

“Exclusive information from high-ranking Central Intelligence Organisation (CIO), army intelligence and police officials has shed light on a secretive and widespread operation targeting outspoken individuals labelled as “political dissidents” across Zimbabwe.”

“The dragnet seeks to arrest and throw into pretrial detention all key opposition figures, activists, and journalists seen as pushing back plans for Mnangagwa to remain in office beyond the constitutionally permissible two terms, which ends in 2028.”

“The covert exercise is also underway within the former revolutionary party to sniff out opponents, lay trumped up charges and have them jailed ahead of Zanu PF’s crucial congress slated for 2027.”

“This is part of an effort to stifle growing dissent ahead of crucial leadership renewal within Zanu PF at the 2027 congress, and subsequent elections in 2028,” said a source, who requested anonymity.”

“The source claims there is a list of prominent individuals who face the spectre of facing charges that range from rape, murder to treason.”

“Among them are several key members of the opposition Citizens Coalition for Change (CCC), a party that has been gaining significant ground in the urban and rural strongholds alike.”

Appendix 2: Mnangagwa’s Failings

<https://zexit.org/zexit/mnangagwa-failing>

9th October 2024 - 706 ‘hits’ to date {as 22nd October 2024}

“Mnangagwa is missing opportunities in Zimbabwe”

“Emmerson Mnangagwa is missing golden opportunities for setting up solid, independent and democratic institutions in Zimbabwe. On the contrary, the main pillars of the state, thus the judiciary, the legislature, the media and the executive are now entangled in a convoluted relationship which has become a well-oiled system of nepotism, political chicanery, kleptocracy, judicial bias, election rigging and constitutional jiggery-pokery.”

Appendix 3: ACTSA Tweet 21st October 2024

https://x.com/ACTSA_UK/status/1848369537298604321

“It’s uncomplicated if the Zimbabwe regime stops locking up citizens on trumped-up charges, denying them bail, jailing pregnant women & children and enabling life threatening beatings of people for supporting different political parties. Free speech is a condition of democracy.”



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Appendix 4: Amnesty International Zimbabwe

<https://www.amnesty.org.zw/2024/08/zimbabwe-authorities-must-end-massive-crackdown-on-dissent-before-sadc-summit/>

August 9, 2024

Authorities must end massive crackdown on dissent before SADC summit

- More than 160 people arrested since mid-June before upcoming SADC summit in Harare
- Evidence of torture or other ill-treatment
- “Sets a dangerous tone for the bloc’s commitment to human rights” – Idriss Ali Nassah

Zimbabwean authorities must end their crackdown against opposition and civil society members ahead of the Southern African Development Community (SADC) summit scheduled for 17 August 2024 in Harare, Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch said today. The authorities must immediately and unconditionally release everyone arrested for exercising their rights.

Authorities must also promptly and effectively investigate allegations of torture or other ill-treatment of detainees and hold any suspected perpetrators accountable in fair proceedings, the groups said. Further, SADC must urgently demand an end to this assault on human rights as it prepares to hand the bloc’s leadership to Zimbabwean President Emmerson Mnangagwa.

“Since mid-June, Zimbabwean authorities have conducted a massive crackdown on dissent. More than 160 people have been arrested so far including elected officials, opposition members, union leaders, students and journalists,” said Khanyo Farise, Amnesty International’s Deputy Regional Director for East and Southern Africa.

“The authorities must stop committing such violations and immediately release all detainees. Khanyo Farise, Deputy Regional Director for East and Southern Africa”

“Security forces have tear-gassed people in a private residence, beaten people so badly they needed hospitalization, forcibly disappeared people for hours and tortured people in custody. The authorities must stop committing such violations and immediately release all detainees.”

SADC leaders must condemn the Zimbabwe government’s human rights violations and demand that the authorities reverse course by releasing everyone unjustly arrested before the situation worsens further, the groups said. President João Lourenço of Angola, who is the SADC chairperson, and Zambian President Hakainde Hichilema, who chairs its Politics, Defense and Security Cooperation Organ, need to speak out.

A wide-ranging crackdown

The current crackdown began on 16 June, when police raided the home of the opposition Citizens Coalition for Change (CCC) party leader, Jameson Timba, during a private gathering and arrested 78 people. Police fired tear gas and beat people with batons, resulting in multiple injuries, including one requiring surgery.

The authorities charged the group with “gathering with intent to promote public violence and disorderly conduct” and held them for more than two days without bringing them before a court, in violation of Zimbabwean law. The authorities released two children and granted bail to one adult, but 75 people remain arbitrarily detained.

On 24 June, police arrested 44 members of the Zimbabwe National Students Union (ZINASU), including its president, Emmanuel Sitima, and forced them to pay fines for “disorderly conduct” before releasing them. Police then re-arrested Sitima for “criminal nuisance” before releasing him the next day on bail.



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On 27 June, Zimbabwe President Mnangagwa warned against “opposition political parties bent on peddling falsehoods and instigating acts of civil disorder, especially before, during and after regional and world state events.” Hours later, police outside the Harare Magistrate’s Court beat and arrested peaceful protesters, who were demanding the release of the people arrested at Timba’s house.

The next day, Information Minister Jenfan Muswere threatened “elements within the opposition, certain politicians, and some civil society organizations,” saying that “their days are numbered.”

On 29 June, police arrested five members of the National Democratic Working Group social justice movement at a private home in Harare during a meeting to raise funds for impoverished families, then released them. On 1 July, the police broke up a memorial service for a CCC member killed in 2022. Police arrested another six people affiliated with the Community Voices Zimbabwe media organization in Gokwe on 3 July before releasing them without charge.

- The Zimbabwe authorities’ intensified crackdown and the dismantling of fundamental freedoms is directly linked to the government’s hosting of the SADC summit in Harare.
- Idriss Ali Nassah, senior Africa researcher at Human Rights Watch

On 31 July, state agents pulled four activists off a plane before take-off at Robert Gabriel Mugabe Airport and forcibly disappeared them for nearly eight hours. Lawyers later documented evidence of torture and other ill-treatment, including extensive bruising on the Amalgamated Rural Teachers Union of Zimbabwe leader, Robson Chere, reportedly requiring urgent medical attention. The authorities charged the four activists with “disorderly conduct” for participating in the 27 June protest outside the Magistrate’s Court.

The authorities have arrested more than 30 people across Zimbabwe since 1 August, including Sitima for a third time, a parliamentarian and 13 others in Kariba town, a city council member, a senator and a religious leader. Most arrests were related to protests or supporting opposition parties. On 8 August, masked people attempted to break into the offices of the Crisis in Zimbabwe Coalition civil society organization in Harare.

“The serious violations we are witnessing, including violent attacks, abductions, torture, arbitrary arrests and other abuses against the opposition, government critics and activists are just the latest example of the failure of President Mnangagwa’s government to promote, protect and respect basic human rights,” said Idriss Ali Nassah, senior Africa researcher at Human Rights Watch.

SADC has said nothing publicly about these human rights violations. The bloc needs to take a clear stand against the crackdown in Zimbabwe, especially as President Mnangagwa prepares to take over the SADC chairmanship, the groups said. The African Commission on Human and Peoples’ Rights should demand the immediate and unconditional release of everyone arbitrarily detained simply for exercising their rights.

“The Zimbabwe authorities’ intensified crackdown and the dismantling of fundamental freedoms is directly linked to the government’s hosting of the SADC summit in Harare,” Nassah said. “It sets a dangerous tone for the bloc’s commitment to human rights under the upcoming chairmanship of Zimbabwe President Mnangagwa.”

While SADC must address the clampdown in Zimbabwe now, it must also use the Harare summit and President Mnangagwa’s chairmanship to improve respect for human rights across the region, in line with the SADC treaty.

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Appendix 5: Zanu PF Spies in the UK

<https://zhro.org.uk/155-zanu-pf-spies-in-the-uk>



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Zanu PF UK have attempted to subvert even our petitions with false ‘opposition membership’ claims. Their CIO {Central Intelligence Operatives/Officers} are here in the UK to both lobby Government {now with false claims they represent the Zimbabwean Opposition} and we suspect, to launder funds for the regime as well as masking the criminal activities of Zanu PF regime.

Appendix 6: Our Letter to Vicky Ford; Then Minister for Africa 20th July 2022

Essential Principles

"Everyone has the right to take part in the government of his country, directly or through freely chosen representatives. . . . The will of the people shall be the basis of the authority of government; this will shall be expressed in periodic and genuine elections which shall be by universal and equal suffrage and shall be held by secret vote or by equivalent free voting procedures."

Article 21, Universal Declaration of Human Rights, 1948

Ms Vicky Ford, Currently Minister for Africa [or any successor]

The United Kingdoms position for the continent of Africa covers conflict, stabilisation, mediation; international finance (except Clean Green initiative); concessional finance and investment; safeguarding; global education, gender and equality, and scholarships. There is clearly conflict in Zimbabwe.

There are currently 14 members of the opposition in prison or detention awaiting charges – including 3 sitting opposition MP’s. This is simply intimidation. Some commentators have stated the following:

"The unthinkable for a democracy is for members of the official Opposition to be arrested and detained on fabricated charges by the Ruling party Zanu PF. The Rule of Law as internationally recognised has been completely corrupted by The Zanu PF in Zimbabwe. We ask the international Arena to act."

Chief Inkhosi Nhlanhlayamangwe Ndiweni

Zimbabwe Divine Destiny **bishop Ancelimo Magaya** said government had gone into overdrive to shrink the democratic space.

"President (Emmerson) Mnangagwa’s government has gotten into overdrive of blatant violations ranging from shamelessly appointing Zanu PF members and relatives as Zec [Zimbabwe Electoral Commission] commissioners, sponsoring violence through Zanu PF structures, disrupting prayer meetings, arbitrary and persecution of journalists," he said.

National Transitional Justice Working Group NTGWG co-ordinator Fortune Kuhudzehwe also raised concern over alleged politicisation of court processes.

"Over the years, the Forum has observed the worrying trend in which politically-charged cases are given different treatments with any other cases even when they share a common charge. The resultant feeling is that bail is manipulated and used as a political weapon to punish politically undesirable people," Kuhudzehwe said.

<https://www.newsday.co.zw/2022/07/csos-red-flag-weaponisation-of-law/>

South Africa’s eNCAnews reports, Chamisa (opposition President) is now under attack in a lawless country where the regime is the perpetrator of many crimes against citizens including murder of opposition supporters



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and now the ruling party officials are targeting the opposition leader!

<https://www.facebook.com/hopewelljournalist/videos/1216513012481343>

Having collapsed as a functional country and economy; practically a failed state, Zimbabwe is now an example of leadership, governance and policy failures around the world.

https://twitter.com/NewsHawksLive/status/1549114331199115265?s=20&t=m9iYyFz8d49Bc_QKWGrajA

Be it on political violence, economic mismanagement, corruption or election rigging, it's now the example. "This country is not owned by Zanu PF and Mr Mnangagwa (President Emmerson Mnangagwa) must know that," Siziba said. (14th July 2022)

"The demand for dialogue is what we are pushing for and the envelope of conversation. We are pushing the envelope of peace and stability because if there is no conversation of what must happen, it has a bearing on the future stability of this country. It's not about them being politically interested, it's about the people of Zimbabwe. This is what the people of Zimbabwe want.

"People of Zimbabwe want a genuine and authentic leadership that must take this country forward. We believe that for the purposes of stability in this country there must be conversation. That is why we are obviously engaging with our partners in this region and, of course, other progressive Africans so that they help us with this particular process."

<https://www.facebook.com/MikeCampbellFoundation/posts/pfbid02M6UM6dvQg2zrFtvQJksyMcRDss8hEpr6hBrwrGpRZm1GDQ4yT1dZWE7nap4MqWDtl>

This vicious campaign shows the tendency to violence in the nature of the Zanu PF leadership Indeed,

<https://www.amnesty.org/en/location/africa/southern-africa/zimbabwe/report-zimbabwe/> end of year report on Politics in Zimbabwe states:

*"The human rights situation continued to deteriorate, with the government demonstrating hostility to human rights defenders, protesters, political activists and journalists. **They were harassed, arrested, prosecuted and subjected to prolonged pretrial detention; one activist was killed allegedly by supporters of ZANU-PF, the ruling party.** The state weaponized Covid-19 lockdowns to restrict political activity. Security forces carried out unlawful killings. The Supreme Court quashed a 20-year prison sentence against two opposition supporters. Thousands were forcibly evicted from their land. Public hospitals remained underfunded and poor healthcare infrastructure put women's and girls' health at risk. Many people were at risk of becoming stateless."*

As you are aware the UK's ethos in this respect is to uphold human rights, free and fair elections and conflict resolution within the continent.

To this end we are seeking permission to hand over a written petition to the FCDO/Minister for Africa on the afternoon of the 20th July 2022. A purely ceremonial affair without any obligation upon yourself to meet with our delegation.

We seek your esteemed influence [as FCDO Office for Africa/Zimbabwe] in the above matter and if possible, to forward this message to the incoming (?) Minister for Africa.

We remain respectfully yours,

- My Right 2 Vote: Chief Inkhosi Nhlanhlayamangwe Ndiweni
- Restoration of Human Rights Zimbabwe (ROHR): Mr P A Karimanzira; Spokesperson



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- Zimbabwe Human Rights Organisation: M J C Burke; Founder

Appendix 7: Full FCDO discussion Document for the 18th August 2022 Meeting

MEETING AT THE FOREIGN COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT OFFICE (FCDO)

Thursday 18th August 2022 at 14:00

Between

A coalition of Human Rights organisations, MyRight2Vote MR2V, Zimbabwe Human Rights Organisation ZHRO, Restoration Of Human Rights to Zimbabwe ROHR,

With

The Foreign Commonwealth Development Office FCDO
Will Klemperer Senior Policy Officer, Zimbabwe & Zambia
and Sarah Ayling, head of the Southern Africa Team

Diaspora Vote

- Principle and quest for “The Vote “for all Zimbabweans has been central to Zimbabwean politics since the 1950s.
- War of Independence slogan “One man One Vote, One Woman One Vote“.
- No “condition “placed upon this principle of the Vote as identified by The Lord Pierce Commission 1972. Commissioned by the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary Sir Alec Douglas-Home. Chaired by retired British Judge Baron Pearce. Deputy Chairs were Lord Harlech, Sir Maurice Dormann, Sir Glyn Jones and Sir Fredrick Pedler. Tested Rhodesian opinion to a “gradual qualified franchise “for the black African as a possible settlement to the Rhodesian Crisis.
- Hence quest for the vote has a very solid foundation in Zimbabwe, yet has remained “elusive“.
- The vote brought an end to the War for independence in Rhodesia and gave birth to an independent Zimbabwe on 18th April 1980
- With great regret, the Ndebele Genocide / Crimes Against Humanity of 1983 -1987 in southern Zimbabwe resulted in hundreds of thousands of Zimbabweans fleeing to South Africa and SADC as a whole. Over a million people were displaced. Once outside Zimbabwe they could not vote in Zimbabwean plebiscite The “Universal Franchise had become a Qualified Franchise, the very thing Zanu PF had rejected in the Lord Peace Commission of 1972. A 180 degree “U-turn “by Zanu PF once it got into power.
- For over thirty years now Zimbabweans have tried to engage the Zanu PF administration with respect to affording Zimbabwean citizens outside the country to be allowed to vote. The Zanu PF government has rejected these advances.
- Over the last ten years a number of legal challenges in the High Courts of Zimbabwe have been made by Zimbabwean citizens against the Zanu PF Administration, to no avail due to the captured nature of the judiciary in the country. In the last case the High Court Judge said that The Human Right to Vote was “not substantive “. This then begs the question of how can a Human Right not be substantive?
- In legal challenges in the SADC Region under the African Unions Charter of Human and Peoples Rights, Zimbabwean citizens brought the challenge against the Zanu PF Administration, with respect to the Vote. The Zanu PF administration pleaded poverty as its defence, in that it argued that it did not have the financial and logistical resources to hold global Zimbabwean Diaspora Elections. However, the facts on the ground show that resources are there.
- With regard to Zanu PF administration facilitating the global diaspora vote there are no real impediments stopping the administration. It is just a lack of political will. This is evidenced by what the Acting Political Commissar of Zanu PF Patrick Chinamasa said in early 2020 in an official statement. Patrick Chinamasa said that Zanu PF would not allow a diaspora vote, because it's candidate Emmerson Dambudzo Mnangagwa, would lose such a plebiscite.
- Hence when all is said and done The Zanu PF Administration has chosen to deny the Zimbabwean



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diaspora the vote, in order to stay in power.

- The Zanu PF administration has also said officially that it will not Reform itself out of power. This is in view with the raft of Electoral Reforms that have been tabulated and called for by The International Arena and from Zimbabwean citizens both within Zimbabwe and in the diaspora.
- “That Zanu PF administration will not reform itself out of office!”
- Central to these Electoral Reforms is the Zimbabwean Diaspora Vote.
- The United Kingdom government, with its European Union partners and the international world have all called for the Zimbabwean Diaspora to be part of the Zimbabwean elections, in their Election Observers Reports at the end of each election over a number of elections.

Diaspora Vote. Going Forward

- From the history behind the Zimbabwean diaspora vote it is evident that the Zanu PF gov has no political will, to allow its citizens in the diaspora to vote in Zimbabwean elections
- Since 2017 when the late President R.G. Mugabe was removed from office in a military coup by Emmerson Mnangagwa, the blanket support of the Zanu PF administration by the African countries has fallen by the wayside. Bold new initiatives are now urgently required. This opens up new and exciting possibilities of addressing the Zimbabwean Crisis and in particular the Zimbabwean Diaspora Vote.
- The current Military Government of Emmerson Mnangagwa is the result of that military coup of 2017. The 2018 elections were once again a white wash meaning the current Military Government is a direct result of the 2017 coup. In the current geopolitical world “Military coups are not acceptable”.
- President Joao Lourenco of Angola at his address to the United Nations on the 26 September 2021 said “NO to the coup d’etat”, on the African continent. Bold new initiatives are now required. This opens up new and exciting possibilities of addressing the Zimbabwean Crisis and in particular the Zimbabwean Diaspora Vote.
- The West African Regional Body, Economic Community of West African States ECOWAS, has been very proactive against coups and standing up for democracy. For example, Mali, Burkina Faso, Guinea, Benin, Togo. ECOWAS has been far, far more proactive than Southern African Development Countries SADC. This means there is considerable international leverage that can be tapped into, in order to resolve the Zimbabwean crisis. Bold new initiatives are now required.
- In the SADC Region the situation in Northern Mozambique has brought in dangerous Islamic Fundamentalism. Fundamentalism which looks very attractive indeed to the youth of parts of Zimbabwe. A youth has been disappointed with ‘democracy’. A youth that has gained absolutely nothing at all from democracy or from seeking out democracy. A youth that is disheartened with the principles of democracy. The recent finds of small arms caches and vehicles carrying large quantities of small arms in Zimbabwe is an indicator of the seriousness of the situation in Zimbabwe. Reports of firearms being used in Rural Areas are on the increase and Village Heads and Chiefs are finding themselves dealing with such matters. Purely because the community has no trust with the Zimbabwe Republic Police [ZRP] or the captured Court System and judiciary. The numerous incidents of serving soldiers carrying out armed robbers throughout Zimbabwe, just for basics, indicate all is not well in the Zimbabwean military. Even though the Zanu PF Administration tried and failed to implement a proper Army Barrack system of shops for the soldiers. That unity in the military is not there. In order to pull back from the political cliff edge as a state there is now need for boldness of initiatives. These are solutions from outside the box, since template solutions cannot work here.
- In SADC, The Democratic Republic of Congo DRC has been a war zone for decades now and the United Nations has been engaged there for that duration. Recently 51 Congolese military personnel were sentenced to death for the murder of United Nations personnel there with their local team. The DRC continues to destabilise the SADC and Central African Region. All efforts should be made



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to stabilise Zimbabwe so that it does not compound the instability of the DRC. The Zimbabwean Crisis has to be urgently addressed in a direct manner now and one of those initiatives that will greatly help is the Zimbabwean Diaspora Vote.

- Eswatini is going through a testing democratic process. Trying to change from a complete autocratic monarchy to a constitutional democracy and government with a democratically elected government and ceremonial constitutional monarchy. In the recent unrest in Eswatini, The King Eswatini fled to Harare seeking assistance from Emmerson Mnangagwa. A most regrettable state of affairs. However, we are reassured with developments of a closeness with the new President of Zambia - Hakainde Hichilema, [HH]. This is after HH State visits to Eswatini recently. This relationship will have the desired result of moderating the situation in Eswatini and reassuring the monarchy there, that indeed it has a place and future in a democratic Eswatini. A more stable Zimbabwe will help the transition of Eswatini from autocracy to democracy. That stable Zimbabwe can only come through the Zimbabwean Diaspora Vote and the systems attached to that process.
- The over 3.7 million Zimbabwean diaspora population in The Republic of South Africa continues to cause profound social upheavals to South Africa's economy, social cohesion and services. Xenophobia has grown rapidly with ordinary South Africans taking the law into their own hands to try to remove foreigners from South Africa, e.g. "Operation Dudula". We were all shocked to watch on social media the recent murder and slaughter of a young man by the name of Nyathi. He was Zimbabwean. He was walking past shanty-dwelling, when all of a sudden, a mob attacked him. The mob carried knives, axes, machetes, sticks, iron bars, spears, knobkerries and guns. However, the mob chose to beat him up to near death. The mob then doused him in petrol and set him ablaze. We watched as Nyathi rolled on the ground in utter pain trying to put out the flames from his burning body. Whilst the mob continued to pour more petrol on him and beat him with crow bars. It went on and on until Nyathi's body was still. Nyathi was an innocent Zimbabwean just going about his day. The mob was looking for a Zimbabwean who had committed a crime against a local woman. They were chanting foreigners out of South Africa. In some parts of South Africa ordinary South Africans are stopping, searching and asking to see the identity documents of foreigners on the streets. Vendors who are not South African are forced to pack up and go by large mobs using violence, threats and intimidation. In such a situation all initiatives to resolve this matter should be seriously considered.
- The International Relations Department of the South African Government has said officially that they are out of ideas, with respect to the Zimbabwean crisis. We have ideas which we would like to present to the South African government as a way forward to resolving this serious matter, to the benefit of all concerned.

Diaspora Vote Wants

- *Zimbabwe is in a state of crisis and profound instability. As a result, Zimbabwe is destabilising the whole SADC region with at least 4 million Zimbabweans scattered to the remaining 15 SADC countries and another 2 – 3 million to the four corners of the world. The American government stated that the instability of Zimbabwe, "poses a clear and present danger to American foreign policy interests in the SADC Region of Africa". These words by an American Administration are full of historical foreboding since they were last used on the 1st August 1990 as the world watched the beginning of Operation Desert Storm. The Gulf War. Words that were uttered in The United Nations Security Council by the Late Colin Luther Powell, who was The United States Secretary of State.*

These words reverberate even more as we observe the current geopolitical world, especially with Vladimir Putin's illegal invasion of Ukraine. The Zanu PF administration fully and publicly supports this invasion. A view that was far more extreme than the rest of the Non-Aligned States and indeed more the BRICS Nations of Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa. In addition, the Zanu PF administration has had a long close relationship with Belarus. The same Belarus where the world recently observed a "stolen" election that brought into power



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the staunch ally of Vladimir Putin, in the name Aleksandr Lukashenko. The same Lukashenko who sent jet fighters “to car jack” an independent international air liner in mid-flight because he wished to arrest a single passenger in that flight.

One wonders what would have happened if the Opposition Leader, Sviatlana Tsikhanoouskaya had been able to claim her electoral victory. Could Vladimir Putin have invaded Ukraine, without assistance from bases in Belarus. Had she been able to claim her victory NATO's boarder with Russia would have been added to by hundreds of miles, following on the heels of Sweden and Finland. A free Belarus would have joined Ukraine, Moldova, Georgia to be fast tracked into the European Union, with a “Candidate Status”.

Appeasement of the school play-ground bully is such a dangerous game. For that school bully will be emboldened and will engage in even more extreme behaviour.

Zimbabwe's geopolitical position is important as a country, on a Regional Level in SADC, on an African continental level in the African Union and on an international level as a member of the United Nations.

- The spirit of the African Unions Charter on Humans and Peoples Rights indicates that a member state cannot use “sovereignty “as a defence in trying to stop other nations interfering with its domestic affairs. Especially when that member state is denying its own citizens their human rights.
- From our petition it is evident that in the last elections in Zimbabwe in 2018 only 4.8 million people voted in the country. Whilst at the same time over 6 million Zimbabweans in the international arena were denied the Human Right to vote by the Zanu PF administration, because they were “outside the country”.
 1. We have begun the process of trying to Register the Zimbabwean Diaspora on the MyRight2Vote website. As three separate Human Rights Organisation, MyRight2Vote MR2V, Zimbabwe Human Rights Organisation ZHRO, and Restoration of Human Rights to Zimbabwe ROHR we are combining our efforts in this regard. We are looking for assistance both financial and resource wise to enable this process to continue. This process is independent of the Zanu PF government and/or The Zimbabwe Election Commission ZEC.
 2. We are looking for assistance, both financial and resources to hold an independent Zimbabwean Diaspora Election at the same time as the official Zimbabwean election in 2023.
 - (a) By holding these independent Zimbabwean Diaspora elections, we will be removing the “veto card” that the Zanu PF administration has been holding and blocking the Zimbabwean diaspora vote “indefinitely “.
 - (b) It does not matter whether the Zanu PF administration recognises this independent Zimbabwean Diaspora Election. That is a minor matter.
 - (c) The independent Zimbabwean Diaspora Election comes into its own, comes alive, “when and not if, but when” the 2023 elections are disputed. For the Zimbabwe Diaspora Election results will be considered at the international negotiations for resolving the disputed elections. These international discussions have been there before but only within SADC. In 2023 Zimbabweans will insist these discussions are international.
 3. The Zimbabwean Diaspora Elections will be electronic, due to the dispersal of Zimbabweans globally.
 4. Where necessary we may include voting in third party buildings and locations, e.g. Regional Block premises or agreed other country premises. The Zimbabwean Embassies and Consulate are not suitable for number of reasons. The main reason being that the Zimbabwean public has absolutely *no confidence or trust at all*, in the Zimbabwean Election Commission ZEC or the Zanu PF administration.
 5. We would like to discuss the acceptance and recognition of this independent Zimbabwean Diaspora Election by the United Kingdom Government, other nations and the international



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arena as a whole. They already believe and have championed the need of a Zimbabwean Diaspora Vote for decades now.

6. The Zimbabwean Diaspora Election is;-
 - (a) A Human Rights matter
 - (b) A Civil Rights matter
 - (c) A gender equality matter since women are the greater majority amongst the Zimbabwean diaspora. Obtaining these statistics is vital
 - (d) The United Nations, Regional Bodies international arena and nation states all desperately need these figures with respect to the Zimbabwean diaspora. For example, for The Republic of South Africa to meet its various international obligations it needs these statistics for, Displaced people, Asylum Seekers, Stateless People, Migration Watch. For that is when South Africa may begin to properly formalise the very large Zimbabwean diaspora population inside its borders. Even here in the United Kingdom this would also help the government.
7. The Zimbabwe Diaspora Vote would be giving the biggest Zimbabwean voting constituency a voice for the first time in 43 years, with respect to the way forward for the country. This completely free constituency would greatly assist Zimbabwe turn the corner towards a very rapid recovery.
8. We would like to work closely with the FCDO and have input, with respect to Zimbabwe.
9. We would like to craft a Zimbabwean Road Map that includes;-
 - (a) The Zimbabwean Diaspora vote
 - (b) A Zimbabwean Diaspora Conference, here in the United Kingdom that would be akin to a mini Lancaster House Conference before the 2023 elections so that it may arrive at a number of resolutions with respect to the coming elections , what happens when the 2023 election are disputed, the mechanism of resolving that electoral dispute.
 - (c) If the dispute is deep, then the formation of a care-taker Transitional Government that has terms of reference of getting the country ready for proper elections within an identified time frame
10. We would ask the use of the good office of FCDO to assist and enable us to engage with;-
 - (a) The ANC Government of South Africa. Most urgent. So that matters of xenophobia, renewal of work and residence permits and other matters there. For the current situation leaves a lot to be desired. There are better methods that could be used that would be mutually beneficial to both Zimbabwean Diaspora in South Africa and the South African government and population.
 - (b) To engage with SADC.
 - (c) The African Union
 - (d) European Union
 - (e) United State of America
 - (f) The United Nations
11. May our matter be raised to the Foreign Affairs Select Committee
12. Would it be possible to have a meeting with the Home Office with respect to discussing an alternative better way of dealing with detentions and the immigration numbers in with respect to Asylum Seekers
13. Due to the numbers involved in this matter and the percentages. One cannot really say that the Zanu PF administration has been elected to represent the population of Zimbabwe. In this regard we would welcome assistance in beginning the process to be engaged post 2023 elections of approaching the Credentials Committee of the United Nations, with a view for the exclusion of that "government " from the United Nations.
14. The United Nations Human Rights Committee in Geneva already has been scathing with respect to the Zanu PF administration.
15. We would hope that there may be joint work for crafting of a number of United Nations Resolutions, so as to begin to apply Hard Diplomacy. For to date the Zanu PF administration has



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had a fairly easy time. Without out the Zimbabwean citizens seeing some Hard-edged diplomacy, there is a real danger that they will reject democracy since it would not have served them well. Just like Law and Lord Hewart “Justice must not just be done but it must be seen to be done “. Indeed, democracy must not be just spoken about but must also be seen to be enacted “.

Appendix 1

Human rights Violations under Emmerson Mnangagwa

- Job Sikhala the chairman of Citizens Coalition for Change, Godfrey Sithole, MP for Chitungwiza North and 14 Nyatsime community political opposition members of whom are facing frivolous charges of inciting violence after attending the funeral of Moreblessing Ali. The 16 remain in detention and have been denied bail by the magistrate court. Members of political opposition Job Sikhala and Godfrey Sithole were arrested on 14 June 2022 after attending Moreblessing Ali’s funeral. The Zimbabwean authorities have accused them of encouraging their supporters to cause violence in Nyatsime, Chitungwiza, during Ali’s memorial. They were denied bail when they appeared in the magistrates’ court and they have since appealed to the High Court. “The continued detention of Job Sikhala and Godfrey Sithole and the denial of their lawyers’ access to meet with them is an absolute travesty of justice. There is an emerging trend where critics of government and members of the opposition are consistently harassed and denied bail by the courts, brought to court in iron legs and at times denied access to their lawyers. Yet high profile ZANU-PF political elites facing real criminal charges are in most cases treated entirely differently with bail being granted regardless of the seriousness of the offence. Job Sikhala has been arrested a record of 67 times on politically motivated charges without conviction which clearly shows that this is persecution by prosecution.
- Moreblessing Ali, a political activist was abducted in Beatrice on the 24th of May 2022 by a known ZANU- PF activist - Pius Jambo. She was missing for three weeks before being found murdered and her body mutilated on 11 June 2022. Zimbabwean authorities were reluctant to search for Moreblessing during the time she was missing with government officials like Nick Mangwana spreading false rumours on their twitter handles that it was a domestic issue she was killed by her boyfriend and if someone is killed by a ZANU-PF supporter don’t blame it on ZANU-PF. It is clear abductions are being fuelled by impunity of perpetrators. Zimbabwe authorities must guarantee and protect citizens’ right to life despite their political affiliation. The arrest of Job Sikhala, Moreblessing Ali’s family lawyer is a way of silencing the family who are seeking justice for her murder.
- Marry Mubaiwa Chiwenga Vice President Consantine Chiwenga’s ex-wife who is gravely ill with sepsis syndrome, life threatening condition is currently hospitalised. When Marry was arrested in 2019 she was accused of attempted murder, faking marriage and corruption charges. Marry has not been well from 2018 and she was getting medical treatment outside Zimbabwe given that our health system has collapsed. she has been since denied seeking medical attention outside Zimbabwe or to bring specialist who can attend to her in Zimbabwe. Marry is being dragged through the Courts despite being very ill and this is all in the public. She has also collapsed outside court very often, dozes off during court proceedings and recently wets herself as she is not able to go to the bathroom by herself. She was recently issued a warrant of arrest after failing to go up to court room due to her illness, but the Court is not showing any compassion towards her suffering. In contrast Prisca Mupfumira a former government Minister who was implicated in the looting of \$US95Million of state funds was given permission to not attend court because she said she was not mentally fit to attend court and was even granted permission to travel abroad on a business trip. Vice President Chiwenga has denied Marry access to see her children despite Marry not being a danger to her children. We believe Marry’s



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situation is being weaponised against those who are against the regime or may find themselves on the opposite side of the regime. It clearly reveals a captured judiciary

- On 22 February 2022 Mboneni Ncube a CCC supporter was killed after being stabbed at a CCC political rally while at least 22 others were seriously injured. A machete wielding gang appeared in an effort to stop people from attending the rally. This happened after the Vice president Constantino Chiwenga sent a warning to CCC Saying the ruling ZANU-PF party will crush them like lice. The perpetrators who are well known ZANU-PF supporters were not apprehended. The government is doing nothing to ensure the free exercise of the right to freedom of assembly and association but has done much to incite such ferocious violence.
- 1 August 2018, Zimbabwean government illegally deployed security forces and they used live ammunition to disperse protesters in Harare. 6 people were killed. Some of the injured and dead were shot from the back. Citizens were peacefully demonstrating calling for the Zimbabwean Electoral Commission to expedite the release of the presidential elections results after voting on 30 July. The army ordered journalist covering the protest to switch off their cameras and video recording equipment. Up to date no one in the army is suspected to be responsible for the bloodshed and no one has been held accountable for these brutal killings.
- President Emmerson Mnangagwa reported fuel price hike on the 12 of **January 2019** which led to Zimbabwe Congress of Trade Unions ZCTU calling for national stay away beginning on the **14/01/2019**. The authorities responded with a massive national crackdown to suppress the rights to freedom of peaceful protest and expression. Brutal human rights violations including torture, rape, beatings and killings of civilians took place during the crackdown. Civil society leaders, Activist and opposition leaders had to abandon their homes fearing for their lives. **12 people were killed**, and dozens injured. According to Amnesty International's report up to 700 people including minors were arrested and detained on trumped up charges. They were multiple instances where women have gone to the police to report the rape cases by the army, but police would openly indicate that they don't want to get involved. A lot of those women indicated that they don't feel safe to report leading to a small percentage of rape victims reporting.
- Hopewell Chin'ono a prominent Zimbabwean journalist who is one of the most critics of President Mnangagwa's administration exposing corruption and human rights violations has been arrested three times in a space of 6 months in 2021 on trumped up charges. These includes accusations of communicating falsehoods, inciting violence after he voiced support of an anti-government protest in July 2021 and also on contempt of court charges for allegedly claiming corruption within the country's national prosecution agency. Chin'ono had published an expose on his twitter handle in which he alleged corruption involving \$60 million by Minister of health Obadia Moyo and Mnangagwa's son was the director of the fraudulent company where some of the funds were transferred to. Mnangagwa later fired the health minister who has been formally charged with corruption in the case. Hopewell was denied bail and he stayed in prison for 45 days. The High court later said the law used by police to arrest him no longer exist.
- Citizens Coalition for Change (CCC) Zimbabwe opposition leader Nelson Chamisa was attacked twice in October 2021 on his way to CCC political rallies. On the 19 of October CCC Spokesperson Fadzai Mahere confirmed that a bullet hit Chamisa's vehicle in Manicaland province where he was expected to hold meetings with traditional leaders and locals. She also reported that several vehicles carrying armed, rowdy thugs were trailing Chamisa's Convoy. Chamisa's convoy was initially attacked in Masvingo town when ZANU-PF supporters who were waving anti-sanctions placards stoned Chamisa's



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advance party in Masvingo the previous week. The attempted assassination and use of gunshots on the opposition leader's vehicle are a cause for grave concern.

- The abduction, forced disappearance of CCC political Activist Member of parliament Joana Mamombe, Cecilia Chimhiri and Netsai Marowa on 13/05/2020. The state-owned newspaper the Herald, the national police spokesman, Assistant Commissioner Paul Nyathi, confirmed the trio's arrest, although he was still to find out where they were being held. Zimbabwe Lawyers for Human Rights searched more than eight police stations to establish their whereabouts with no luck. The MDC (CCC) three women were part of a demonstration organized by then MDC-Alliance (CCC) Youth against the state's failure to provide social protection for the poor during the current COVID-19 lockdown. The three women were found on the 3rd day badly injured and traumatised 60 miles from Harare. They described the torture, humiliation, forced to drink each other's urine and repeated sexual assaults after being abducted by state securities services. The three women were later arrested on 11/07/2020 for lying about the abduction and torture. To date the three women are still being dragged to court on the issue.
- 30 July 2020, Tawanda Muchehiwa was abducted by State Security services in Bulawayo who bundled him in an unmarked vehicle and transferred him into another vehicle 400 metres down the street. This abduction was caught on camera. They tortured and sexually assaulted him accusing him of being one of the protest coordinators and additionally they wanted him to reveal the whereabouts of his uncle, Mduduzi Mathuthu, the editor of online newspaper ZimLive.com. They then released him far from his home four days later. Tawanda's body was battered, he suffered from incisions on his chest and the skin from his buttock had been removed. Hospital records show that his kidneys were barely functioning
- Makomborero Haruzivishe a pro-democratic Activist and CCC youth leader was arrested on 17 February 2021 on charges of inciting violence. He was arrested for blowing a whistle during a protest in February 2021 demanding the government to provide more support to poor Zimbabweans. He was detained and unjustly incarcerated for 90 days before he was sentenced to 14 months in prison. This was Haruzivishe's 38th stint in prison in the past decade. In all previous arrest he was never found guilty of any crime. All cases of wrongful arrest are a clear indication of judicial capture, police capture and prisons capture
- Jacob Ngarivhume, who is the leader of a small opposition party called Transform Zimbabwe was arrested on 20 July 2020 and charged with inciting the public to commit violence He had called for July 31 street demonstrations against widespread state corruption. he was unlawfully detained in prison for 45 days on grounds that if realised he would continue to promote violent protest. He was later granted bail but was barred from posting on twitter, surrender passport and report to a police station three times a week.
- Itai Dzamara was abducted on 9 March 2015 by five men while he was at a barbers' shop in Harare's Glen View suburb. His abductors are said to have accused him of stealing cattle before arresting him, forcing him into an unmarked white truck and drove off. He has not been seen since then. Itai Dzamara was a well-known Journalist and Activist who had campaigned to improve accountability in Zimbabwe. He had called for former President Robert Mugabe to step down and openly criticized his handling of Zimbabwe's economy. Itai's family and the Zimbabwean community to date are calling on the Zimbabwean authorities to conduct a thorough, independent, effective and transparent investigation into his disappearance. We need to see an inquiry with findings that are made public, and suspected perpetrators brought to justice.



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- And Finally, **GUKAURAHUNDI** {1983-84} a situation that has yet to find a resolution within Zimbabwe and its Ndebele population.
 In a unanimously adopted resolution in 2005, the International Association of Genocide Scholars estimated the death toll at 20,000. <https://genocidescholars.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/IAGS-RESOLUTION-ON-ZIMBABWE-7-June-2005.pdf>
 And the Wiki item
<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gukurahundi>
 ZHRO and ZAPU delivered a petition to Theresa May, the then Prime Minister regarding this issue on the 30th August 2018 see article at this link: <https://zhro.org.uk/human-rights-uk/gukurahundi>
""The petition indicates the diaspora's dissatisfaction with the then U.K. Government concerning its failure to acknowledge a genocide, and that 'lessons need to be learned' about such flagrant human rights abuses. Now the petition implores the current UK Government to lead an International Campaign to fully recognise the Genocide in Matebeleland and the Midlands, and to bring all the perpetrators to justice. It points out that this process of Truth and Reconciliation is vital in order to unify all Zimbabwe - it cannot and must not fall under the spell of "let bygones be bygones""

Appendix 8 Dickson Chikwizo 24th October 2024

A Crafted Evil Injustice By E D Mnangagwa.

E D Mnangagwa is using a "command system" to be legitimised! The economy and citizens have refused to do so. They understand who won in 2023 elections.

ZANU PF government track record speaks for itself; -economy failure -currency collapse. - unemployment now 95% -crackdown, arrest, torture, and abduction to silence opposition voices.

Mnangagwa's brutal kidnaping, torture, and anyone who is against him, is motivated by EDM's own political survival. The crackdown is mostly targeting anyone who is challenging his authority or calls for change. He's presiding over a government that is ruthlessly undermining democratic principles and has continued to turn the state apparatus into a tool for repression.

He's fighting to stay forever. ZANU PF regime has caused a great deal of suffering in Zimbabwe through corruption, nepotism, bribery, patronage, and brutality.

ED Mnangagwa pardoned Bobby Makaza, a convicted rapist of a 10 year old girl. Thereafter, the ZANU PF regime pampered him with a car, cash, and house for shouting, "ED Mnangagwa huchi" (meaning ED Mnangagwa is honey) ED Mnangagwa has proven to be a ruthless dictator & striving on violent crackdown on the opposition and rigging elections.

Any solution that does not confront the political situation in Zimbabwe is futile. It will be like putting a lid on a problem and giving it a chance to simmer and grow stronger. The situation in Zimbabwe's national hospitals is dire. Urgent action is needed to address the critical issues caused by continued looting of public funds. Dickson Chikwizo: PETITIONER: 24th October 2024