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'KILL THE BOER' GOES GLOBAL

Boer Genocide protestors taunted outside Freedom Day event in London



by HEATHER WALKER

A video showing a member of the ANC in London directing a tirade of 'Kill the Boer' hate speech at a group of Afrikaners caused a sensation when it emerged last week.

The 'Boers in exile' had been staging a protest outside the Catford Assemblies of God church hall where a Freedom Day event with Ken Livingstone was held on Saturday 28 April.

One of the demonstrators, Hans Earle, explained that they were trying to highlight the murder rate of white South Africans in SA. They held placards with slogans such as 'Boer Genocide = African Famine' and 'Why so silent Mr Mandela?' and 'More than 3,000 farmers murdered since 1994'.

In mobile phone video footage captured by one of the protestors, they are mostly ignored by the people arriving for the Freedom Day party. However one of them, who has been identified as Khaya



Protestors outside the Catford Assemblies of God church hall in London where a Freedom Day event with Ken Livingstone was held on Saturday 28 April. Photo by Colin Macrae.

Thwala, is recorded talking to the protestors about nationalising the mines and the farms. Then seemingly for no reason, he approaches one of the placard bearers and says "Kill the Boer," but stops his outburst when he realises he is being filmed. 'Kill the Boer' is the name of the struggle song Julius Malema and

his followers were banned from singing last year as it was judged hate speech.

When we contacted Thwala for comment last week, he agreed to provide it but later declined, referring us instead to the statement issued by Abantu base Mzantsi (The People of South Africa), organisers of the Freedom Day

event, in which they denounced their comrade's behaviour.

"Abantu base Mzantsi condemns in the strongest terms, if true, that one of our comrades had an outburst to the self-proclaimed "Boer in exile" protestors as shown on *TheSouthAfrican.com*. It is totally unacceptable and wrong to *continued on page 3...*



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'More than 3,000 farmers murdered since 1994'

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say the least.

"The said comrade, as a public figure, sub-task committee member of Abantu base Mzantsi, and knowing ANC policy and discipline should know better than to get publicly entangled in using an exclamation like that, not just wounding our stance on the day, but also defaming the South African constitution.

"Necessary internal processes shall be instituted in line with our policies and procedures in dealing with this unfortunate situation to ensure it does not rear its ugly head again.

"Although we share [the protestors'] concern about the killing of farmers, we believe their choice of venue of protest and the targeted audience were wrongly placed."

Both the ANC and the Democratic Alliance Abroad expressed the desire to work with South Africans abroad to facilitate a constructive discussion to work together to address the issue.

Ludre Stevens, chairman of The DA Abroad, was at the Freedom Day event and said he was surprised when the protestors arrived, but acknowledged the right to free speech – "the cornerstone of a free society."

"We are aware South Africa faces one of the highest crime rates in the world and acknowledge that the protestors were trying to raise the profile of an issue that is important to them."

Read our readers' responses to the video on page 4.

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On “Kill the Boer” disrupts London farm murder protest”



Enrico: These protestors left South Africa, what do they want from the ANC? The economy of SA is still in white hands. The majority of people in managerial positions are white males. Black farmworkers are being treated like slaves on farms. The majority of farm attacks are crime-related and have nothing to do with politics. Blacks have bent backwards to appease whites and what did they receive in return... nothing. The national democratic revolution must and will continue!

Grensvegter: This is the misconception that lies at the heart of our problems. Neither Old Mutual or Anglo American, De Beers or SAB Miller (all top 5 SA companies and Fortune 500 companies) are in the hands of any South African, white or black. It was the price the ANC paid to the UK and US to get into power. It is a fruitless act to nationalise the mines, when the mineral rights belong to foreigners. As to the farm attacks, they are more than political attacks, they are racially motivated as part of an ethnic cleansing process because the Boers are the biggest threat to Zulu supremacy. Know this, that



South African exiles claim to be racially abused at Freedom Day event in London.

after the Boers the other ethnic groups will follow, starting with xenophobic attacks on Africans not from South Africa and then the other ethnic groups. It has been done before and the Boers were the only ones that could stop them.

Benson: The ANC governing body in South Africa does not recognise any foreign branches, this is a group of individuals who decided to form their own party with a self-appointed committee. The committee has gone around taking

over 150 people's personal details, including ID numbers, promising them membership for an institution that is non-existent. None of those people have received any membership for over 16 months and some of them have paid a membership fee. ANC in London is non-existent.

The Naked Truth: ANC couldn't organise a piss-up in a brewery. The rest of the world sees this hence they have no grip in this city.

Michael: Due to affirmative action, the majority of management positions are in non-white hands. The majority of whites have left SA because of the fact that they cannot get a job. So no, the economy is not in white hands.

Kastro: This is a racist and one-sided article. That day was Freedom Day and this article is going on about racist protesters. All you guys commenting here don't even know the half of it. White South Africans are ignorant of the plight of the black South African. Ignorance is bad for you white people. The ANC leads and the ANC is moving forward. Say what you want to say but I proudly say Viva ANC.”

Ayanda: The organisers were Abantu base Mzantsi, a sub-structure of the ANC London Interim Branch. As members of the interim branch, we knew what was about to happen four days before the event, so the leadership was well-informed. Once again this is white supremacist propaganda to confuse the ignorant. White South Africans still have economic power in South Africa but still we find people writing such articles. Why? When are the lies going to stop? This was a successful event chaired by our beloved chairperson. Why start this nonsense?

Manu: “Necessary internal processes shall be instituted in line

with our policies and procedures in dealing with this unfortunate situation to ensure it does not rear its ugly head again.” Please could you advise what policies and procedures are and what action will be taken upon this person? You claim to be Abantu base Mzantsi (The people of South Africa), as a “person of South Africa” I would like to know exactly what these are, so you will need to be transparent with this matter... or are you just playing it up and not really doing anything about it?

Jabu: I echo Manu's words. Please could you advise what these policies and procedures are? (You can clearly hear him say ‘Kill the Boer’ on the video, which is totally unacceptable under any circumstances). As a member of this Interim Branch, I have never seen these policies mentioned or ever written. Secondly who is Abantu base Mzantsi, as its existence is only mentioned now. I think the Interim Branch is actually Abantu base Mzantsi, and was trying to make out that the Freedom Celebrations were not an ANC Interim Branch campaign, to ensure maximum turnout.

Ruth Van Rensburg: Makes me angry. Can everybody stop hiding behind colour and just get on with it!

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