

CONCLUSION

No organisation or individual, no matter how highly placed, must be allowed to disregard the views of the people and to get away with it. If people do not voice their disagreement or condemnation, they would be encouraging the growth of tyranny. The latter flourishes when people, through apathy, fear or misguided loyalty allow organisations or governments to perpetrate offensive acts by remaining silent. We have suffered tyranny and oppression for over three hundred years. The sacrifice in fighting tyranny has been awesome. All that sacrifice would have been in vain if the present tyranny is replaced by another. The colour of tyranny is of no consequence.

THE JUDGE WITHOUT THE VOTE

Mr Justice Ismail Mahomed is an eminent lawyer. He was at the forefront of the legal struggle against tyranny, oppression and injustice. He fought numerous cases and achieved outstanding successes. Undoubtedly, nobody is better qualified as a judge for a democratic South Africa.

Yet, many people have expressed uneasiness because he has given the De Klerk government a great deal of credibility by accepting a judgeship in a system where bloody tyranny and exploitation continues. He has taken an oath of allegiance to De Klerk's republic, an oath to enforce laws that are part of the repressive system; laws that prescribe the death penalty; laws directed against the landless peasants and homeless workers who are given the ugly name of squatters. He has placed himself in a position that may require him to uphold the Tri-cameral system should any dispute of it come before him.

It is, indeed, sad that Mr Justice Mahomed has had to rely on the green light from the ANC to accept judgeship. He knows the ANC very well, as he does the calibre of its leadership, a leadership that will say "yes" to virtually anything if it advances its political ambitions:

Yes, De Klerk is a man of integrity.

Yes, racist cricket in South Africa is OK.

Yes, Hendrikse of the Labour Party is a patriot.

Yes, arch-capitalist Zac de Beer, leader of the Democratic Party, is a comrade.

“Yes” has lost all meaning!!!

A correspondent to the “The Natal Witness”, recently stated:

Mr Justice Ismail Mahomed is not only South Africa’s first black judge, he is also the only judge who does not have the franchise.

Quite unique, the only judge in the world who does not have the genuine franchise!

We believe that Mr Justice Ismail Mahomed ought to have waited for democracy to establish itself first before accepting a judgeship.

THE SICK EQUATION

Nelson Mandela and F.W. de Klerk have been named joint winners of the UN-sponsored Felix Houphouet-Boigny Peace Prize (Sunday Tribune – 13 October 1991).

THE UNITED NATIONS ORGANISATION

This den of thieves, which is completely dominated by imperialism, provided willing cover for the invasion of Iraq and the murderous attack on the unarmed population there.

F.W. DE KLERK

Leader of the racist and repressive regime who has donned the disguise of a great reformer for reasons of political convenience.

NELSON MANDELA

Par Excellence the compromiser who is prepared to bargain away the most fundamental of rights of the oppressed and exploited. He has embarked on a road which must send the oppressed into modern slavery to capitalism-imperialism.

FELIX HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY

Life-long president of the Ivory Coast. One of Africa’s leading and longest-lasting despots. He is a devoted lackey of French Imperialism. When the entire world treated white racist South Africa as a polecat, this despot-lackey welcomed our oppressors. His notoriety increased vastly when he squandered his impoverished country’s wealth by building an extravagant basilica (surrounded by beggars and shacks) to advance his personal glory.