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Almost a 1 000 South Africans murdered since Eugene Terre'Blanch'e murder

"It would appear that farm attackers have more confidence in the police not apprehending them than the farmers have in their ability to safeguard them from being attacked on their farms." So says Rev Botha Leader of the Christian Democratic Party and deputy leader of the Christian Democratic Alliance.

"Since the murder of Eugene TerreBlanche focused the world's attention on farm attacks in South Africa more of these attacks have taken place, such as the one at Brits. The most recent attack was on Mr Karel Griessel. It would appear that the only reason that this attack drew attention is because it took place in the Ventersdorp district where Terre'Blanche was murdered."

"The tragedy is that since Terre'Blanche's murder, between 700 and 1000 South Africans have been murdered at the rate of 50 per day. None of which have drawn the same attention. Reports such as 'Free State family of five are reeling in horror after being attacked by six men wielding spades and knives' are read. No one has been arrested. 'A man was beaten to death while his wife is gang raped and their four-year-old daughter seriously assaulted by a gang of 15 men who entered the family's house.' No arrests have been made. 'A young Cape Town man, 23, bled to death in his father's arms, after an early-morning attack by intruders. He was stabbed in the face with a long knife which had been driven into his cheek and then forced downwards.' As far as is known, no arrests have been made. Incidents such as these have become common-place in South Africa."

"The only conclusion that can be drawn, is that with the inability of the government to protect its citizens and effectively deal with criminals, South Africa is fast becoming a 'failed-State.'"

Bykans 'n 1 000 Suid-Afrikaners reeds vermoor sedert moord op Eugene Terre'Blanche

"Dit lyk of plaasaanvallers net so min vertrouwe in die polisie het as wat die boere het dat misdadigers wat uit die landbou teer kortgevat sal kan word," sê ds. Theunis Botha, leier van die Christen-Demokratiese Party (CDP).

"Sedert die moord op Eugene Terre'Blanche die aandag wêreldwyd op plaasaanvalle in Suid-Afrika gevestig het, was daar nog aanvalle soos dié by Brits. Die jongste aanval, dié op mnr. Karel Griessel, is groot nuus omdat dit ook in die distrik Ventersdorp plaasgevind het. Die verdere hartseer is dat sedert Terre'Blanche vermoor is, nog tussen 700 en 'n duisend Suid-Afrikaners teen 'n tempo van meer as 50 per dag vermoor is sonder dat dit veel van 'n rimpeling veroorsaak het," sê Botha wat ook die waarnemende voorsitter van die Christen-Demokratiese Alliansie (CDA) is."

"Berigte soos die Vrystaatse gesin van vyf wat in afgryse steier na hulle deur ses mans met grawe en messe gewapen, aangeval is het verskyn. Niemand is in hegtenis geneem nie. Nog 'n berig handel oor 'n man wat doodgeslaan is, sy vrou deur 'n bende verkrag is en hul vyfjarige dogter ernstig aangerand is toe 'n bende van 15 mans by hul huis ingebreek het. Niemand is nog in hegtenis geneem nie. 'n Jong Kaapse man, 23, bloei in die arms van sy pa dood na 'n vroeg-oggend aanval deur die aanvallers. Hy is met 'n lang mes in die wang gesteek, en die mes toe afwaarts gedwing. So ver bekend is niemand nog in hegtenis geneem nie. Voorvalle soos hierdie het algemeen geword in Suid-Afrika.

"Die enigste gevolgtrekking waartoe gekom kan word is dat die regering daarin faal om sy burgers te beskerm en doeltreffend met misdadigers af te reken. Suid-Afrika is vinnig besig om 'n mislukte staat te word."