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SUBJECT : ANOTHER EDUCATOR DIES ON SCHOOL PREMISES IN SOUTH AFRICA

The Azanian People's Organization (AZAPO) condemns with the contempt it deserves the killing of educators in a space that is supposed to be their safe working space - the school premises. The killing of another teacher at Northwest is a sign of how compromised our schools are and that every passing day puts demand on the department of education's needs to prioritize the security in schools. It is concerning that the country is once more confronted with the sad news of a teacher being shot at work.

AZAPO is worried at the emerging trend in schools where educators are targeted. Schools are gradually turning into notorious fields where unsuspecting teachers are attacked and killed. These senseless killings are carried out when educators are relaxed in the staff room at school. Schools are supposed to be a safe environment where teaching and learning occurs seamlessly.

These indiscriminate and callous killings are an indication of the government's failure to provide a safe environment to enable teaching and learning. AZAPO demands that government stops leaking its self-inflicted wounds and concentrate on enhancing the safety of learners and educators in schools. The government's failure to protect its citizens is illustrated in the Gauteng West District which has surrendered to armed illegal miners. This in a sense amount to government surrendering power.

Since 1994 the ruling party has been obsessed with inner party-political wrangling which is selfishly inward looking. The party's focus is on who will be the next president of the party instead of ameliorating governance and service delivery. All these inner party shenanigans have compromised the efficiency of government, and their effects are felt by the ordinary South African taxpayer. This failure to govern exposes both teachers and learners to an unsafe teaching environment, particularly in township schools. In these schools, SGBs, are unable to hire trained security personnel due to lack of funding for such posts and related resources.

AZAPO demands measures be put in place to ensure schools are safe. It is only in a safe environment that the killing of teachers on school premises will come to an end. Our teachers and learners have endured severe trauma and suffering for a long time. Enough is enough! This madness of senseless killings should come to a stop. AZAPO cannot and will not fold her arms

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and watch while the ruling party destroys our country through ineptness and bad policies. Let the nation and the world know that the ruling party should shoulder the blame for the spilling of blood of every person murdered at our schools or anywhere in our country. After a caring government should protect its citizens and inspire hope. The ruling party is doing neither.

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