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United Civil Society in Action (UCSA) Chairman's Response to Questions by Raymond Joseph (Groundup cape town community publication).

INTRODUCTION:

Hello Ntate Raymond, i have to say i was kind of expecting to see you 😊 @Today's oversight meeting and appearance of the NLC & DTIC to the Parliamentary portfolio committee in Cape Town 🙌

You really have managed to make a career out of following the NLC our congratulations 🙌 2u for that.

I have seen some reports a while ago that you have even won 🏆 some awards and it would really be interesting to zoom in on the criteria for such awards because it really still baffles some of us how you manage that, but congratulations 🙌 nevertheless 😊

First and foremost, let me address your introductory remarks in the long whatsapp message you sent me last night about you wanting to write 📝 a story about me.

1. You make reference to a letter that our Progressive Civil Society Federation has written 📝 to Honourable Minister Parks Tau.

I can help but wonder who may have furnished you with a copy 📄 or copies of all our letters because the addressee is Honourable Minister Tau and NOT you 🙄.

Not that we have a problem with you having seen our letter since we believe in freedom of speech without hindrance but fact is wena 'ungenaphi" lapho 🙄

Don't you think that since our letters to the Minister are so detailed that it would be morally & ethically correct 4u to await for the Minister's response 🙄 instead of you self appointing yourself as a Minister's and NLC's Spokesperson?

2. Your so called plan to "publish" another story about me that you have recycled so many times i have even lost count about my tenure as the founding Chairman of the Gospel Music Association of South Africa ZA (GMA) has become a tired story and that's NOT journalism 🙄. Hence i was wondering in my opening statement of how you really win these awards. You mention for the umpteenth time that i am under your self made SIU investigation 🔍🙄

If that is true, how come the SIU and NLC have never informed me about that but choose to inform you my "father" my "uncle" my "mlungu makhulu baas" about this 🙄

May i hasten to remind you that i have rights too as enshrined in our constitution 🙄

I find it odd and honestly irritating that you have Recycled this story so many times without facts but gossip and propaganda.

If i may indulge you on this though 🙄 is that all the funding that the GMA has managed to successfully acquire when we were very active then as an organization is that ALL WAS ABOVE BOARD.

we applied and were successful, ran programmes and benefitted our members at that time,

Ntate Raymond Joseph, i have said it in your face so many times that we as NLC beneficiaries DO NOT and NEVER will Report to you or anyone but our funder at that time the NLC and Parliament thru the Portfolio committee

The fact that we were close to the previous administration of the NLC is NOT a crime 🗣️ you are currently close to the current NLC administration and some of the dtci (sic) senior staff yourself,

You were close to the previous Minister and even "appointed " yourself as his Spokesperson. Every time the previous Minister was to do anything about or at the NLC you were the first to announce 😬

We should be asking you if you're on their payroll, it's time you declare Ntate, even go further and declare that some of the NPOs wherein you were either a director or connected to received funding of over R50 million and some even failed to submit reports 😬.

We should be asking the former Minister of Justice and the NLC why is it that in the proclamation they prepared and took to the President to sign why your projects and those of many others we know benefitted millions of rands are NOT currently under SIU investigations like you claim we are 🗣️

Doesn't this proof that you and those who work with you have made the SIU a scarecrow to scare people from speaking their minds less they would be threatened with the so called "investigations" 😬

Well Ntate Raymond, some of us are NOT scared and refuse to be threatened by you and your cabal.

is it a coincidence that you in your so called poor journalism have NOT mentioned NOT even once (unless i have missed it 😬), and forgive me well in advance if i did because i don't pay much attention on small smallanyana racist media)

-that the NLC has thus far spent more than R100 million of our money 💰 as communities paying the SIU for the so called investigations that are selective and a witch hunt 🗣️ against specific individuals NPOs and NPCs to the glaring EXCLUSION of other who should be investigated but are NOT 😬 -that corruption at the NLC and South Africa ZA has a black ● face,

-that the company owned by 2 Afrikaner women who benefitted over R20 million from NLC told you in your face they would sue you if you ever wrote 🗣️ about them again and you stopped 😬

-that you threatened a female journalist when she rightly reported about your own fraudulent daughter and she subsequently apologized to the public which was a clear admission of guilt 😬

Let me address me address your stress about us having marched against your criminal behavior after our registration as UCSA. Plz note 🗣️ that our existence as progressive Civil Society didn't begin just with our registration but we have been there ALWAYS Ntate Raymond working the ground.

Plz STOP 🗣️ attaching so much importance to yourself Ntate Raymond with due respect to your small accolades.

We were NOT marching against you but your stealing of beneficiaries (sic) information without following due process like applying for PAIA in order to LEGALLY obtain beneficiaries information thru stealing it using some mules within the NLC.

That what you were doing with your smallanyana groundup was endangering people's lives wherein criminals would call them and extort money 💰 because they had "luckily" bumped into your article that would have been Re published by some of your monopoly capital media houses as your Recycling ♻️ tired 😫 strategy 🤖

Plz relax, it was never personal as we have the responsibility of protecting our members and Civil Society in general 🙏

As for us "abandoning" the case we as UCSA never withdrew the case but some cowardly law firm who's services we had procured and they did that without informing us only to do so afterwards.

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Just for the Record UCSA has never been funded by anyone the NLC included. Perhaps you can share with us some of that R50 million you benefitted from the NLC 😊

Coming to your other specific questions as UCSA we have the following to say:

1. Of course we are concerned and taking the lead as the leader of Progressive Civil Society especially representing the most marginalized population our country mostly BLACK because we are the custodians of Social Justice 🙏
2. We are concerned and have to take the lead in raising all these issues because what happens at the NLC and all other funders and government departments and agencies affect us and our South Africa's most marginalized communities and that forms the bulk of UCSA constituency ZA.

-What happens about the lottery license is also our business as it affects the funding revenue to be generated as a result.

Perhaps you should also tell us why you have been on radio 📻 702 punting HCI defending them when they haven't asked you to, what is your interest Ntate Raymond 🗣️ tell us and South Africa what is it you stand to benefit 😊

We can pull your interview from 702 if you deny this because history doesn't lie 😊

in conclusion plz allow the Honourable Minister and the Portfolio committee on trade industry and competition in Parliament to respond to our letters.

Plz go ahead and Recycle ♻️ as usual but DO NOT distort my answers to all your questions and the facts 😊

#STOPRaymondJosephPoorJournalism&Propaganda 🙏