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Citizens Coalition For Change Calls For Urgent Action Over Missing Names On Voters' Roll

By Citizens' Daiy Bulletin
Correspondent

The Citizens Coalition for Change elections directorate has issued an urgent notice to all citizens whose names were missing from the current voter's roll.

The announcement stated that they needed to download and fill an attached affidavit in their own handwriting and submit it to their respective cluster leaders or directly to the Elections Bureau Head office by Monday, 5 June 2023.

The affidavit can be downloaded on: https://docs.google.com/file/d/1MX-tXyHm6Yld6nVfTXt-MyBTMeNO17Jii7/edit?usp=doclist_api&filetype=msword or via our telegram link https://t.me/ccc_updates/52

They also advised that the affidavit must be signed by a commissioner of oaths.

The Elections Directorate had expressed their concerns about the missing names from the voter's roll, emphasizing the importance of every citizen taking part in shaping the nation's future through democratic elections. "This is an urgent call to all citizens whose names are



missing from the voters roll to download and complete the attached Affidavit in own handwriting and sign it before a Commissioner of Oaths.

"The completed forms should be submitted by Monday, 5 June 2023, directly to the Elections Bureau Headoffice or through your respective Cluster leaders.

For queries refer to;
0772342720/0719342720,"

reads the memo.

The citizens who were affected by this issue were urged to act fast and submit their affidavits on time to guarantee their right to vote.

The Citizens Coalition for Change elections directorate implored the public not to hesitate to call the given numbers for inquiries or assistance.

The Elections Directorate

had made it clear that every missing name on the voter's roll would not be ignored, and every vote is crucial to building a free and democratic nation.

Citizens with missing names from the current voter's roll were advised to act quickly to ensure that they would be able to participate in the upcoming elections and make their voices heard. With citizens, particularly

those in major cities, including CCC officials, expressing their grievances towards the Zimbabwe Electoral Commission regarding their missing names from the current voter roll, this issue needs to be addressed quickly.

Failure to resolve this situation could lead to an electoral crisis that threatens the integrity of upcoming elections.

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CCC Sweeps Bulawayo With Message Of Change And Hope Ahead Of Elections

By Change Radio

■ The Citizens Coalition for Change (CCC) party made its presence known in Bulawayo on Wednesday after taking part in an aggressive door to door campaign.

Leading the charge were the party's deputy spokesperson, Gift Ostalos Siziba, Honourable Jasmine Toffa, Member of Parliament for Bulawayo Metropolitan, Honourable Nicola Watson representing Bulawayo Central, and other CCC officials.

They took to the streets, distributing party information booklets to residents, outlining the party's values, formation, and promises for a new government.

The campaign received a warm reception from citizens, with Siziba expressing his gratitude on social media. He stated, "Today, we spent our day with compatriots in the beautiful City of Kings, spreading the message of Change. The message of Hope - A new Great Zimbabwe Message."

The upcoming elections hold immense significance, as they are perceived as a make-or-break moment for the ruling ZANU-PF government led by President Mnangagwa.

The party has faced severe



criticism for its alleged corruption and incompetence, which have resulted in a struggling economy plagued

by hyperinflation. Furthermore, President Mnangagwa and his family have been embroiled in corruption

scandals, adding to the frustration felt by citizens.

The CCC has emerged as

a beacon of hope for those seeking an end to the 43 years of suffering under ZANU-PF's rule. Notably, even some ZANU-PF supporters have pledged their support to the opposition party, CCC, in an effort to bring about much-needed change.

CCC promises a fresh start for Zimbabwe. The party aims to address the rampant corruption, revitalize the economy, and uplift the lives of citizens who have endured hardships for far too long. As the elections draw closer, all eyes will be on the CCC and their vision for a prosperous and inclusive Zimbabwe.

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Zanu-PF MPs Adopt New Criminal Law Code Amendment Bill With Controversial Clause

By Citizens' Daily Bulletin
Correspondent

Zimbabwe's ZANU PF MPs on Wednesday voted to pass "The Patriot Bill", an amendment to the Criminal Law Code that includes several provisions but also includes a highly controversial clause that has attracted criticism from many individuals and organizations.

Ninety nine (99) ZANU PF MPs voted for the bill while seventeen (17) MPs mainly from the Citizens Coalition for Change (CCC) voted against the bill.

The newly-passed bill is reportedly aimed at protecting Zimbabwe's national interests and addressing certain crimes, such as rape, but has created uncertainties and misgivings among critics concerning the interpretation and implementation of the new clauses.

It is meant to punish those who are seen to threaten the "sovereignty" of the country.



Additionally, it seeks to ensure that perpetrators of rape are given mandatory minimum prison sentences. However, some individuals, political organizations and human rights groups have raised concerns about the new law.

The most controversial aspect of the bill is a new clause, creating the crime of "wilfully damaging the sovereignty and national interest of Zimbabwe".

"We're receiving a disturbing report from Parliament that the dangerous, unconstitutional Patriotic Bill brought

via an amendment to the Criminal Code has been passed. It criminalises "wilfully damaging the sovereignty & national interest of Zimbabwe", CCC spokesperson, Advocate Fadzayi Mahere said.

"A sad day indeed as Parliament passed the Patriot Bill this evening. New law is an unprecedented law that seeks to proscribe freedom of association, assembly & speech of any citizen holding a meeting with a foreign government. Not even Apartheid Rhodesia passed such a repugnant law," said CCC lawmaker Hon Tendai Biti.

Critics argue that the penalties for this offense are vague

and could be interpreted broadly, leading to charges against individuals or groups unfairly and without clear definitions of what constitutes an offense.

While this law's aim may be to protect the nation's interests, there are concerns that this could be used as a tool for the regime in Harare to suppress opposition and dissent, particularly if the charges against the accused are vague or not properly defined.

Siphosami Malunga, a human rights advocate, has declared that the recently passed "The Patriot Bill" in Zimbabwe will not hinder him from exercising his freedom to criticize the government when necessary.

He believes that his criticism is vital for the development of his country, and as such, it is a patriotic act that stems from his love for Zimbabwe.

Mr. Malunga stated that no law can override his right to express himself and exercise

his civic duties.

"The Patriotic Act just passed in Zimbabwe will not stop me criticizing the government of my country where I feel such criticism is not only warranted but also justified. Criticising the govt is actually a patriotic act, borne out of love for my country. No law can deny me that." Also, some argue that the new penalties could lead to wrongful prosecutions if individuals are not provided with clear definitions of what would constitute an offense in question.

Supporters of the bill argue that it positively addresses several crucial issues, from consolidating rape laws to ensuring that foreigners cannot intervene in Zimbabwean affairs without consequences.

It is yet to be seen how the legislation will be enforced and implemented, and whether it will help achieve its stated aims.

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Revealed: The List Of Zanu-PF MPs Who Voted In Favour Of Controversial Patriotic Bill

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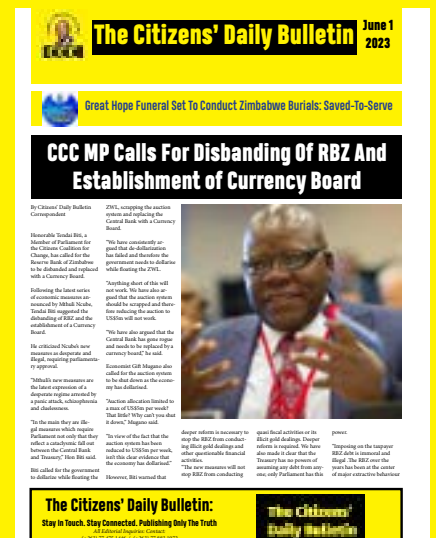
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CCC Members Of Parliament Vote Against Controversial 'Patriotic Bill'

By Citizens' Daiy Bulletin Correspondent

More than 17 Members of Parliament from the Citizens Coalition for Change (CCC) party, and an independent candidate, voted against the controversial 'Patriotic Bill' which received 99 votes in favour from the ruling Zanu PF party on Wednesday.

On Tuesday, tensions rose in the Parliament building as MPs from various political affiliations debated the bill, which aims to suppress dis-

sent against the government.

Although Zanu PF did not have enough votes to pass the bill on the same day, debates spilled over to the next day. Seventeen CCC MPs, representing their constituents' voices, stood against the bill.

However, their vote was not enough to win the debate due to their minority status in Parliament.

One of the CCC MPs, Hon Charlton Hwende said, "Yesterday we fought against

the passing of the Draconian so called Patriotic Bill but because we don't have numbers this dangerous bill was passed and many will be jailed simply for political reasons. We have 23 August to correct this by voting for President @nelsonchamisa."

The most contentious clause of the bill creates the offense of "wilfully damaging the sovereignty and national interest of Zimbabwe", with penalties of life imprisonment or the death sentence for individuals who participate in meetings aimed at

subverting or overthrowing the government.

The CCC MPs who voted against the bill were Hon. Biti L. T., Hon. Chamisa S., Hon. Chibaya A., Hon. Chidakwa J., Hon. Chidziva H., Hon. Chimina L., Hon. Hamauswa S., Hon. Hwende C., Hon. Matewu C., Hon. Mliswa T. P., Hon. Murai E., Hon. Mutseyami C. P., Hon. Sibanda D. P., Hon. Sibanda L., Hon. Tekeshe D., Hon. Tembo M., Hon. Tobaiwa J. The Teller was Hon. Matewu C. The controversial bill has

attracted criticism from various quarters, with some activists and civil societies fearing its potential misuse to infringe on citizens' rights and freedoms.

Independent candidate, Hon Temba Mliswa said, "Laws like the Patriotic Act are simply and falsely couched as progressive yet contain within them the vestiges of repressive and authoritarian stifling of democratic dissent. They are a product of narrow minded politics that cannot see beyond the stomachs of selfishness!"

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