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1/11 TO ZANEF

let me be as very frank as possible. If you do not reign in [@Sophie Mokoena](#) who has committed to spitting venomous fake news on Zim & leadership, then forget that this letter will have any consequence on my conscience. The [@SABCNews](#) through it's [@Sophie Mokoena](#)

The South African National Editors' Forum (Sanef) has called on the leadership of Zimbabwe's ZANU-PF to step in and discipline its Director of Information and Publicity, Tafadzwa Tuboy Mugwadi.

Sanef says he is assaulting media freedom and freedom of expression with his daily posts on social media.

Sanef also note his comments directed at SABC Foreign Editor Sophie Mokoena and describes them as a "bid to intimidate, harass and stop her from doing her job".

2: has instigated global hatred on Zim & her pple in SA thru spreading naked fake news typical of vendetta journalism bt u never called her out. If yu defend her when she is called to order & to stop publishing unverified falsehoods, then u hv no moral ground to do so on me.

3: [@Sophie_Mokoena](#) & [@peterndoro](#) masterminded the conspiracy to agenda Zim through a blackmailing campaign dubbed the #zimbabweanlivesmatter which was co-sponsored by fake news peddlers politicians in the [@mdczimbabwe](#) & cared not verify them from authorities.

4: It is disturbing to see the @SABCNews importing videos from other jurisdictions & presenting them as ongoing violence in Zim, presenting Zim like a typical Hobbesian state of nature society of an all against all? That I shall challenge with much vigour as director or myself

5: Each time I have received a call from @Sophie_Mokoena after I post my reservations she has alluded to forces above her which she has not dared to share w u. Recently she made false alarms abt Beitbridge Border presenting a fake situation as if those who were there were homeless

6: Before, during & after the festive season, our border has always been that busy. It's nothing new. It was therefore ridiculous for her to seek to interrogate me on why the President is on leave supposedly when the nation is in a crisis, which crisis she is only preve to.

7: Add to that, we have @ZBCNewsonline as a public broadcaster here in Zim & it has never ran a negative narrative on SA or it's people. Even at the height of xenophobic attacks, our institutions leave that to diplomatic channels to avoid escalating disaffection or hatrage.

8: To hv @Sophie_Mokoena behaving as if she is an authority on Zim is not only dangerous bt exaggerated self importance. As such, until further notice, this letter is just toilet tissue as long as it doesn't remind @Sophie_Mokoena tht fake news is an anathema to the profession

9: Most importantly, by way of correction, I am not Party Spokesperson. It's fake news that u are spreading. I am a worker, member & myself above all. Face me as such. I will not be intimidated by the use of the gender abuse card. It's too thin a finger for her to hide behind ■

10: Finally, #maskup, & stay safe from this pandemic as you gather real & factual news. What you don't know on Zim but u feel u are burning to know, ask authorities and not your fingers, or ghost twitter accounts.

That way yes. Stop bullying us with fake news pliz!!