

Independent Panel Report

Inquiry into Media Ethics and Credibility Report – Complaints

2. Paul O’Sullivan

All I want is that the truth should prevail, and I should not be used as cannon-fodder to cover up and protect criminals masquerading as journalists, or journalists conspiring with criminals.

For what it’s worth, my submission to the Zondo Commission is also available for reading at: <https://www.forensicsforjustice.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Affidavit-of-Paul-O’Sullivan-2020-08-06-LRAC.pdf> Its informative, it will give a small idea as to what I had to go through as a result of a captured criminal justice system. I also attach a copy.

Because it’s not germane to the Zondo Commission mandate, there is no mention of the media role in that affidavit. I now regret that and believe it would have been better to include the role of the media, so the country can see that the role the ,media played was crucial to the State Capture project.

Notwithstanding me leaving it out in my submission to the Zondo Commission, it is an inconvenient FACT, that corrupt Crime Intelligence officials using the journalists they ‘owned’ at the Sunday Times, created the enabling environment for a crooked Minister of Police to unlawfully:

1. Suspend Robert McBride (IPID)
2. Suspend & Dismiss Mathews Sesoko (IPID)
3. Suspend General Johan Booyesen DPCI
4. Suspend & Dismiss General Anwar Dramat (DPCI)
5. Suspend & dismiss General Shadrack Sibiya

Unlawfully replace the above persons with criminals, namely:

1. Israel Kgamanyane (IPID)
2. General Ntlemeza (DPCI)
3. General Mokotedi (DPCI)

And also, to unlawfully appoint:

1. General Phahlane as head of SAPS

Whilst all of that was going on, Shawn Abrahams was unlawfully appointed to head up the NPA and the capture of the criminal justice system was *fait accompli*.

It is a FACT, that was completely (intentionally?) missed by your independent panel, who unlawfully prevented me from coming and laying it all out, that without the lies and false narratives in the adverse media stories perpetrated by the Sunday Times, that Generals Dramat & Sibiyi would never have been targeted and nor would Robert McBride and Mathews Sesoko.

Put simply, the evisceration of the criminal justice system was a conspiracy that had its roots in dishonest reporting by dirty journalists, who were at the beck-and-call of rotten cops in Crime Intelligence.

Yet the Sunday Times, despite being put on terms by me to clean up their act, did NOT learn from their history of being accomplices with dirty cops. They stepped up to the plate again in late 2018, when Poloko Tau, was allowed to publish false stories, peddled to him by dirty cops and when I called him out and threatened to expose him for playing into the hands of dirty cops SANEF, blindly jumped to his defence, without even bothering to apply the *audi alterem partem* principle, thereby becoming an accomplice after the fact, of criminal conduct on the part of dirty cops and a stupid or complicit journalist.

When I was dragged off a plane to London with my two minor children and detained and tortured for four days, the media were all over the reporting of me being arrested for various crimes. The media were all over the stories that I was charged for fraud, kidnapping and various other offences. There was little to no coverage of the cases having been thrown out of court and me being acquitted with scathing judgements against the state.

The inconvenient truth is:

1. If the Sunday Times had NOT run a false narrative pertaining to so-called Zimbabwe Rendition, a crooked minister of police, could not have targeted firstly Dramat, then Sibiya and then McBride.
2. The unlawful appointees of Ntlembeza and Mokotedi made it their mission to target me, along with others that were involved in exposing the corruption of Zuma and those near and dear to Zuma.
3. Neither Dramat, nor Sibiya would have targeted me, because they knew of the seriousness of the criminal dockets I had opened against the likes of Dudu Myeni, Lucky Montana, Edward Zuma, Yusuf Kajeje, Jen Chi Huang, Radovan Krejcir and many others. I did not get paid a single cent for doing that work, it was done out of love for my country and both Dramat and Sibiya knew this.

I was not the only victim of the Sunday Times' collusion with dirty crime intelligence officials, in their master plan to capture the criminal justice system.

The trial run they did with the Zimbabwe Rendition story, worked so well, the criminals with badges and guns, under Mdluli's command, decided to use the same players at the Sunday Times to create an enabling environment to take out the whole investigative capability of SARS and to 'noble' the criminal complaint against close Zuma ally, Thoshan Panday by inventing two further narratives, namely 'SARS Rogue Unit' and 'Cato Manor Death Squad'.

With these three fictitious narratives, with a sprinkling of truth to give them an air of authenticity, they were able to eviscerate the core investigative capacity of the head office of DPCI, Gauteng DPCI, KZN DPCI and the Enforcement Capability of SARS.

Whilst this was going on what did SANEF do?

They watched and did nothing, save to leap to the defence of dirty journalists.

So yes, Kate there is some soul searching needed here. Not only by the mainstream media, but also by SANEF who watched what happened and, in some quarters defended it.

Certainly, creating its own truth-seeking panel to whitewash the issues and prevent one of those most affected by the conspiracy between dirty journalists and dirty cops (myself) from testifying and then issuing a report which vilifies and defames one of the victims of the dirty cops and journalists, is NOT the end solution I had in mind.

If the panel could not issue a report that was truthful, at least insofar as I am concerned, they should have been better off just keeping my name out of the report.

However, the damage is now done, and it needs to be fixed.

My good name is all that I have left in life after having spent millions of Rand and years of my time trying to make South Africa a better place to be.

Although Mark Twain wisely suggested that one should not argue with someone that buys ink by the barrel, I've suffered enough at the hands of dirty cops and journalists and am NOT prepared to let this go.

I'm also not going to rush into this matter.

However, I am determined to see this turned around and will not cease in my search for justice.

I'm happy to consider off-the-record settlement discussions, as to how this can be fixed. If that does not work, I am prepared to throw more millions at lawyers and take this the full way.

If I go the legal route, I will also use public campaigns including any other lawful means to fight this out until I get justice.

I hope none of that will be necessary, but thought I should mention it, considering the intransigent way SANEF jumped to the defence of a journalist colluding with dirty cops back in 2018.

I hope good sense will prevail. It will be cheaper and less stressful for all of us.

I am happy for this mail to be shared with the directors and management of SANEF, so that the decision to fight with me is a collective one.