



**Alliance Fleuve Congo**  
**Peuple Uni, Digne et Prospère**

***Le Coordonnateur***

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To: **His Excellency Mr CYRIL RAMAPHOSA**  
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**Subject: The Congolese crisis is primarily political, identity-based and internal. It needs African solidarity rather than military intervention. The solution remains political and must be among the Congolese themselves.**

**Your Excellency,**

1. I am addressing your august authority in my capacity as Coordinator of a popular revolution represented by the Alliance Fleuve Congo (AFC) whose ambition is to restore democratic normalcy to the Democratic Republic of the Congo, through all means, in line with Article 64 of our Constitution. The historical ties of the South African people to the Congolese people are the ultimate justification for this correspondence, in light of the demands of solidarity, fraternity and trust that have been our mutual responsibility for decades.
2. In the same way that you fought **apartheid** with its ensuing separatism of peoples and racism, epitomized at the time by ancient and inhuman regimes, the hideous aberrations of the governance of **Mr Felix Tshisekedi Tshilombo** are an affront to all mankind and a huge threat to the Congolese nation.
3. The oppression of the people and the political elite, institutionalized tribalism, poor governance, discrimination, embezzlement of public funds, State gangsterism and the latest electoral excesses in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, have adulterated our democracy and undermined our community life. Mr Tshilombo has infantilised justice and turned it into a tool of personal power and a weapon of blackmail to serve terror. The fate reserved for all the political elite in contradiction with his regime is, at best, prison or exile, and at worst, death.

4. By way of illustration, the following cases have occurred to date: The assassination of **Judge Raphaël Yanyi, Generals Delphin Kahimbi and Timothée Mukunto Kiyana** and the carnage of more than **150 Wazalendo** in Goma by the Republican Guard in August 2023. The most emblematic case to date is that of honorary minister and **MP Chérubin Okende**. In this case, Congolese public opinion in general and the family of the missing man are traumatised and shocked by the fanciful conclusions reached by the Public Prosecutor at the Court of Appeal, as communicated on 29 February in Kinshasa by the Congolese justice system. This Far West Republic, which has crucified the Constitution and flouted republican norms, is becoming an appalling danger for the people, for the region and for humanity.

5. The latest revelations of electoral fraud, cunningly planned, orchestrated, imposed and implemented by a tribal electoral architecture, have totally corrupted the rules of justice, law and democratic fairness. In the Democratic Republic of Congo, **"THERE WERE NO ELECTIONS"**. An impostor institutionally proclaimed himself **"elected president"** after an **immoral spectacle of ballot stuffing** in favor of disgusting electoral fraud. Mr Tshilombo has systematically violated the Constitution; he has robbed the electoral process and turned our Nation-State upside down to such an extent that all the Republic's elective institutions suffer from social imbalance and unequal representation for the benefit of a single geographical and linguistic area.

6. **This spectacle has finally given the sad impression that elections are no longer a healthy option for the people.** For this reason, Mr Tshilombo deserves neither to sit alongside you in the assemblies of Heads of State, nor the republican honours reserved for leaders of your rank.

7. The regime's contempt for the Congolese people has led to preferential one-way electoral appointments instead of regular compilation of results, causing confusion and dissension. In the history of democratic elections, there has never been a more confusing and chaotic outcome than that of the 2023 election. The people have been left in extreme poverty while the leaders have enjoyed excessive opulence. **Shockingly, the loser of the election was declared the winner.**

8. The ballot was conducted in complete disregard for the constitution, lasting more than seven days from 20 to 27 December 2023, whereas the electoral law stipulates only one day. As a result, the outcome of these elections is invalid and should be nullified. Any president and elected Members of Parliament through fraudulent means are illegitimate, criminal, and unacceptable to the people.

9. This letter serves to inform you of the need to cut ties with an oppressive regime that the Congolese people have overwhelmingly rejected.



**Your Excellency,**

Our constitutional revolution (art. 64) and our biblical revolution (1 Samuel 22:2) are intended to :

- Rebuild the State, followed by a return to constitutional order and the re-establishment of democratic normalcy;
- Pacification, unification and restoration of territorial integrity;
- National reconciliation, community living and inter-community cohesion;
- Easing the political climate.

10. Thus, from a failing State, we want to create a modern State where communities live in harmony and peace with all neighboring countries in the heart of Africa and make our country a land of opportunities (**Business Land**).

11. The Alliance Fleuve Congo (AFC) provides a comprehensive solution to the insecurity problem in the DRC by promoting harmony among all of the country's communities: Kongo, Luba, Mongo, Hunde, Nande, Tutsi, Hutu, Nyanga, Kano, Kumu, Gegere, Lendu, Hema, Balubakat, Chokwe, Ngala, Ngbandi, Bashi, Bavira, Lugbara, etc. Our aim is to establish a modern State that lives in peace and harmony with all of its neighbours in the heart of Africa. Indeed, we have no alternative but to live together in peace and harmony.

12. All these bold moves are part of a noble struggle that the people have heroically made their own, to oust the totalitarian regime of Mr Tshilombo.

13. **We assure you, Your Excellency, that the Alliance Fleuve Congo (AFC) is a political revolution committed to the holistic stability of the State and the democratic dignity of the individual.** Unlike Mr Tshilombo, who we believe is irresponsible, prone to lies, manipulation, propaganda, and failure to keep his word, we aim to build a republic that is based on the values of freedom, equality, equity, and stability for all, without any discrimination.

**Your Excellency,**

14. Please allow us to express our deep concern at the involvement of the South African Defence Forces in the hostilities with the illegitimate Kinshasa's regime. Taking part in the fighting, providing support to forces whose aim is to exterminate part of the national community through ethnic cleansing, which is being skilfully implemented in all the institutions of the republic and within local communities, is a clear sign of a desire to participate in the genocide of a people.

15. In view of the haste with which South Africa, under your authority, is taking sides in this Congolese conflict, **the AFC considers that the underlying causes of this crisis have eluded you and that your authority has been misled.** In this context, to label our Alliance members as foreign nationals is tantamount to manipulation, lies and propaganda.



16. We are not at war, nor in rebellion, but **WE ARE IN A CONSTITUTIONAL REVOLUTION**. Those who are fighting against Tshilombo are indeed sons of the country, nationals of all the provinces, each affected by the depravity of the government in Kinshasa, where democracy and the Constitution are trampled underfoot in favour of a supposed messianic principle of the "salvation of the people".

17. Incidentally, information available to us indicates that **YOUR INVOLVEMENT IN THE MILITARY COALITION WITH KINSHASA WAS DRIVEN BY MINING INTERESTS**. The AFC is shocked.

For your information:

- a) Clamouring around the world in a campaign of propagandist manipulation about an alleged increase in the national defence budget, sadly it has been established that Mr Tshilombo has lined up a gang of profiteers to absorb the said budget under a corrupt system fraught with commissions and kickbacks to the detriment of the Armed Forces of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (FARDC).
- b) This mafia is based on a system where defence materials and equipment are acquired fraudulently, through over-invoicing and inflating of troop numbers at the expense of soldiers' salaries and bonuses. He has deliberately weakened the Armed Forces to the benefit of mercenaries and foreign forces, whom he pays handsomely while Congolese soldiers suffer and lack equipment.
- c) Economic operators are being drastically hounded in the interests of the war effort, some by compulsory financial contributions and others by exaggerated surcharges, in violation of legal and regulatory texts. The funds collected are diverted throughout the chain set up by Mr Tshilombo. You will understand that this war is a business and a source of ill-gotten wealth;
- d) Mr Tshilombo has recruited the genocidaires of the Forces de Défense et de Libération du Rwanda (FDLR) into his personal guard, at the mining sites and on the war front, with no regard for the risks of exterminating the local population as a result, targeting mainly Congolese Tutsis;
- e) Mr Tshilombo has tribalised the Armed Forces by making selective appointments and postings that frustrate cohesion within our defence apparatus and break the spirit of the corps. Need I remind you that in addition to the FARDC, he has created a tribal militia (**FORCES DU PROGRES**) which he uses to hunt down opponents, loot their assets and intimidate the people. Just recently, he used the same militia to attack the facilities of Western chancelleries and the property of the United Nations Stabilisation Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUSCO);
- f) Mr Tshilombo calls his own people foreigners and above all RWANDANS, when he speaks of the CONGOLESE TUTSI. He has made this his campaign pitch, the venom of which particularly affects Swahili speakers. One of the candidates in the 2023 presidential election was the main victim. In considering the troops of the Alliance Fleuve Congo as foreigners (Rwandans) and to be withdrawn from the DRC, Tshilombo is seriously calling into question the identity of his own countrymen.



- g) Since our revolution is national, it encompasses people of all ethnic and community backgrounds, including Congolese citizens who speak the Kinyarwanda language.
- h) **This confusion, deliberately maintained at the very height of power, around the question of identity and above all the Kinyarwanda language, makes Mr Tshilombo a dangerous player for national cohesion and togetherness.**
- i) The war being waged by Mr Tshilombo is not a sovereign reflex on the part of the DRC, but a lucrative ploy by him and his biological family to occupy all the Republic's mineral deposits by selling off rare lands (strategic minerals). If you look at all the mining sites in Congo-Kinshasa, you will see that from Ituri to Lualaba, via Rubaya (North Kivu), all the mining sites are occupied by the President's family.
- j) Mr Tshilombo enjoys torturing his interlocutors around the world by distributing to them some financial or mining gifts while laughing in their faces for having succeeded in containing international pressure and above all in buying the certification of the electoral fraud which he so shamelessly claims prevails!

**Your Excellency,**

18. The DRC has just experienced a shaky electoral season, with the fabrication of results depriving the Republic's institutions of any credibility. Hence the reasons for the AFC to ask the following questions:

- a) Is your Excellency pleasant to support and accompany an illegitimate regime that holds elections just for mining interests?
- b) Are you personally comfortable lining up South African troops in a war intended to kill the Congolese people in an internal Congolese conflict?
- c) Are you comfortable lining up your soldiers side by side with the FDLR genocidaires, the chief allies of the Kinshasa regime?
- d) Are you unaware that certain peoples of eastern Congo-Kinshasa have been suffering atrocious ethnic discrimination for decades and that they are entitled to claim their constitutional rights?
- e) Are you comfortable supporting a regime of economic criminals, robbers of national resources and political delinquents?

19. We would like to call to your attention the fact that the Congolese people have two great historical memories with South Africa:

- **President Nelson Mandela**, a highly respected international figure and African hero, facilitated the meeting between **Mzee Laurent-Désiré Kabila** and the **President Mobutu** in May 1997;



- On 19 April 2002, the **Sun City Dialogue** took place, where former **President Thabo Mbeki** played a central role. During this dialogue, the Republican Pact was established through dialogue among Congolese. However, Mr Tshilombo has recently breached this Republican Pact, which was a crucial component of our constitutional democracy and helped to strengthen our national unity.

20. We, Alliance Fleuve Congo, are embarrassed to enter into direct military confrontation with our South African sisters and brothers. However, should we be forced to do so, we reserve the right to defend ourselves.

Yours sincerely,

  
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- South African Parliament
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- South African civil society
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- South African Faith denominations
- South African student organisations
- South African media
- African Union Commission Chairperson
- SADC Chairperson
- United Nations General Secretary

