
AFFIDAVIT

I, the undersigned

DEBRA ('Debbie') MATHEW

hereby affirm and say :

- 1 I am the Executive Director of the AIDS Foundation of South Africa ("the Foundation"). I have held this position for three years & four months. Prior to this I was employed by the Foundation in the capacity of Fundraiser and Grants Manager since the 1st June 1994.

- 2 I have been made aware of the general nature of the allegations as to sources of funding made against the Treatment Action Campaign ("TAC") by the Rath Foundation ("Rath"). I am aware of the claims made by Anthony Brink in his affidavit that refer to the Foundation, in particular the 'allegation' at paragraphs [42] to [45].

- 3 This affidavit is to set out the relevant facts as I know and believe them in this regard.

Debra

- 4 I must state that I am unsure, from reading of paras [42] to [45] of Brink's affidavit, whether Brink is making an allegation in respect of the Foundation, let alone TAC, what that allegation is, and what evidence is given in respect of it.
- 5 However, if the allegation is that the Foundation has provided TAC with funds that are derived from pharmaceutical corporations, I deny this as false and untrue.
- 6 The Foundation was established on the 12th December 1988 with the aim of raising funds to support the work of HIV/AIDS community projects.
- 7 The main sources of our funding are church based donor agencies, private foundations and foreign governments. A list of the Foundation's donors is attached and is marked "Appendix A".
- 8 The Foundation has made annual donations to TAC since 2000, as appears from our records.
- 9 I can attest that the Foundation leadership, and I myself, have since at least 2000 been aware of TAC's policy of not accepting funds from pharmaceutical companies.

Paul

- 10 As such, we have ensured that the funds that the Foundation makes available to TAC are not sourced from pharmaceutical corporations or known agencies of these.
- 11 To my knowledge and belief, no such funds have been directed to TAC by the Foundation.
- 12 The funds that the Foundation has made available to TAC have their source in church based donor agencies in Europe, these are listed as follows: Misereor/Katholische Zentralstelle fur Entwicklungshilfe e.V.; Bread for the World; Interchurch Organisation for Development Cooperation (ICCO); Global Ministries/Kerkinactie; Norwegian Church Aid; and Entraide et Fraternite.
- 13 I believe that the respondent would have been freely provided with this information had it made enquiries of the Foundation about any funding of TAC. To my knowledge, the Foundation has never to date been approached by respondent for any clarification.
- 14 The facts stated in this affidavit are within my personal knowledge and belief and are true and correct.

Paul

Debra Mathew

DEBRA MATHEW

I CERTIFY THAT THE DEPONENT HAS ACKNOWLEDGED THAT SHE KNOWS AND UNDERSTANDS THE CONTENTS OF THIS AFFIDAVIT WHICH WAS SIGNED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME AT DURBAN ON THIS **15TH** DAY OF **APRIL 2005** AND THAT SHE HAS NO OBJECTION TO TAKING THE PRESCRIBED OATH AND CONSIDERS SAME TO BE BINDING ON HER CONSCIENCE.

P. J. Butterworth

COMMISSIONER OF OATHS

REVD. P. J. BUTTERWORTH
EX OFFICIO COMMISSIONER OF OATHS
CHURCH MARRIAGE OFFICER
REF. NO.: V 3692

APPENDIX A

DONORS SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE AIDS FOUNDATION OF SOUTH AFRICA

ICCO - Interchurch Organisation for Development Cooperation
Programme for Appropriate Technology in Health (PATH)
European Commission
Bread for the World
Misereor/Katholische Zentralstelle für Entwicklungshilfe e.V.
Norwegian Church Aid
Entraide et Fraternelle
Global Ministries - Kerkinactie
Mutual & Federal
National Development Agency (NDA)
Elton John Aids Foundation
Kindernotilfe
Bernard van Leer Foundation
Atlantic Philanthropies
Swedish International Development & Cooperation Agency - SIDA

Paul.