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## Sasria fund 'must not only be used to repair apartheid'

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SA Special Risks Association (Sasria) funds should not only be used for reparations for apartheid but also as compensation for victims of crime.

This was the reaction of several organisations approached for comment after the Afrikaanse Handelsinstituut suggested in a submission to the TRC that a portion of the Sasria fund, "a unique creation of the apartheid years", be used for reparations for apartheid.

Pretoriase Afrikaanse Sakekamer executive member Dawie de Villiers said he totally supported the AHI's proposal.

He agreed that Sasria was an apartheid related fund.

Mr de Villiers noted that the government had said the high crime figure flowed from apartheid.

However, there was no compensation for the victims of crime, he added.

Mr de Villiers said his father was murdered 18 months ago and his mother was badly injured in the same attack and still needed expensive treatment.

There was no compensation for her.

Freedom Front chief spokesman on financial matters Willie Botha said the AHl could not have the only say on how the Sasria funds should be used.

Dr Botha said from Cape Town that virtually every home owner and owner of a motor vehicle was also contributing to the fund and their interests must be taken into account as well.

Dr Botha said the FF did not agree that there was no longer any risk of political unrest.

One should expect that the AHI, when it wanted money to be handed out, would also have thought of the victims of violence such as thousands of women who were raped each year, people who were murdered and their families left destitute, and victims of car hijackings.

The chairman of the ANC's Pretoria Region, Peter Maluleka, said the AHI's proposal was a good one, but monetary assistance would not go a long way in helping individual people.

He said money from the Sasria fund could rather be used for human resource development programmes.

Pretoria Chamber of Business president Glynn Herbert said it seemed everybody in need of funds were targeting the Sasria fund.

"I don't believe that the Sasria fund belongs in the general pot of the economy," Mr Herbert said.

The CP said in a statement yesterday the AHI's proposal was "shortsighted and foolish".

It said the fund was financed by the ordinary and responsible man in the street. It could therefore not simply be used for other purposes.

The CP, like the FF, said the massive crime figure and especially murders of farmers "form part of a continued revolutionary campaign".

The statement said insurance premiums had become impossibly expensive.

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