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# Something Rotten in the State of ~~Denmark~~ Zimbabwe!

1. We, the undersigned and others, are opposed to the #GoldMafia<sup>1</sup> Criminal Syndicate in Zimbabwe, which additionally implicates SA, UK, USA, EU and UAE Government's and will trigger their Anti-Money Laundering Agencies {AML Policies}:
2. We respectfully request a detailed and determined investigation of the matters raised within this 4 part documentary and other supporting evidence contained herein, especially those identified with British Passports.
3. In particular we feel strongly that those within the FCDO regarding Zimbabwe and Southern Africa in general, are not sufficiently aware of the Zanu PF party/regime's involvement within this particular scandal {and others<sup>2</sup>}. In addition, the 'destabilising effects' within the region, of graft and SA policy towards Zimbabwean Nationals is not helping.
4. Furthermore the upcoming Elections, with a history of rigging, intimidation of opposition, including the 308 days {as at the date of this petition} of Vice Chair, Job Sikhala<sup>3</sup>, which personifies the ruthless Zanu PF {either faction} approach to POWER

## Synopsis

#GoldMafia is a 4 part exposition based on 2 years of investigative journalism, by Al Jazeera

All four episodes can be viewed from this link to ["ZHRO – Crime Report"](#)

*Money Laundering of USD to the tune of ~\$1bn, using gold bullion smuggling as a means of transfer - the wealth ending in the hands of the regime's top elite. E Mnangagwa implicated even at "arms-length"*

**Further details available on these two websites and their corresponding articles – links below**

- <https://zexit.org/zexit/gold-mafia-out>
- <https://take2zimbabwe.com/zimbabwe/53-gold-mafia-fall-out>
- <https://ccc-diaspora.com/zimbabwe/implications-for-zimbabwe-gold-mafia>

These links on the platform's above are similar, but indicate a widely held revulsion by the majority of Zimbabwean citizens of #GoldMafia and its implications.

<sup>1</sup> Al Jazeera 4 part Investigation: <https://zexit.org/zexit/gold-mafia-all-4-episodes>

<sup>2</sup> Vote Rigging, Abuses of "Rule of Law" {ibid Job Sikhala}, Human Rights Abuses, Torture & Intimidation of the Opposition

<sup>3</sup> Petition handed to British PM on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023 [https://ccc-diaspora.com/images/PDFs/petition-Job\\_SikhalaFULL-FINAL.pdf](https://ccc-diaspora.com/images/PDFs/petition-Job_SikhalaFULL-FINAL.pdf)



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Your investigations both into #GoldMafia (*coordinated by Uebert ANGEL aka Uebert Mudzanire, Rikki DOOLAN, Sobona MTISI, Lee ANGEL aka Limit Mudzanire all on UK passports*) and E Mnangagwa himself are now imperative if Zimbabwe is to survive as a Nation. Similar work needs to be done in SA, USA and UAE due to the externalisation of these criminal activities revealed by this series of 4 podcasts. Money Laundering and Taxation issues may well affect those named with British Passports above

## Background

Zimbabwe's mineral assets have not benefited the nation - but have grotesquely enriched a cabal of the elite within the regime (*which cannot claim to act as a government - a kleptocracy perhaps?*).

However, the #GoldMafia series has opened **just a glimpse** of some of the methodology employed by this 'elite' to exploit their position for purely personal gain. This situation has probably got its roots back since independence (18th April 1980). A few years later E D Mnangagwa was implicated in the Gukurahundi genocide (by virtue of his Ministerial position). Then again in 2002 the UN report into the looting (of diamonds) from the DR Congo labelled E D Mnangagwa as the "Chief Strategist" - again compelling evidence as to his motivations of personal enrichment.

Under Mugabe - Mnangagwa continued to plunder - right up to the **2017 military-coup**, where he emerged (after some hiding from other factions) as the *new leader* of the regime {with the same agenda for violence!}.

Since the rigged and violent "elections" of 2018 E D Mnangagwa has been planning for his own demise - making himself the richest man in Zimbabwe.

Therefore, Zimbabwe is on the edge of a precipice - will the elections this year be rigged and violent as before? Those waiting within the regime, to fill "dead man's shoes" will hope to retain their stranglehold on all aspects of the state apparatus to continue this (unacceptable) kleptocracy

## From Al Jazeera Themselves:

*"Undercover reporters pose as gangsters with up to a billion dollars of black money that needs to be cleaned. They gain remarkable access to members of Africa's Gold Mafia and film closed door meetings with crime bosses."*

*"A senior African ambassador offers to launder \$1.2 million using the cover of his diplomatic bag."*

*"Criminals offer lucrative deals to clean over \$100 million through government gold export schemes. At the centre of it their operations is southern Africa's biggest laundromat, the **Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe.**"*

The investigation reveals how billions of dollars' worth of gold is smuggled every month from Zimbabwe to Dubai, allowing criminals to whitewash dirty money through a web of shell companies, fake invoices and paid-off officials.



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The investigation also shows how Zimbabwean President Emmerson Mnangagwa’s government is systematically using gold smugglers to get around the chokehold of Western sanctions imposed on the country. ***The money laundering and gold-smuggling schemes involve one of Zimbabwe’s most influential diplomats, and go all the way up to the president and his circle.***

The smugglers include millionaires, one of whom was accused of almost bankrupting Kenya through a similar, corrupt scheme also involving gold.

The process is as simple as it is cunning: Criminals from around the world with large volumes of unaccounted cash can give that money to the Zimbabwean government, directly or through smugglers. The Zimbabwean government desperately needs US dollars since the county’s own currency has little international value following years of hyperinflation.

In exchange, launderers get clean, legitimate cash — from the sale of Zimbabwean gold — transferred to their bank accounts.

- <https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2023/3/23/gold-mafia-looting-southern-africa>
- <https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2023/3/30/who-are-the-gold-mafia-a-cigarette-don-and-a-man-named>
- <https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2023/4/6/what-draws-the-gold-mafia-to-dubai-dubai>
- <https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2023/4/14/six-secrets-uncovered-by-al-jazeeras-gold-mafia-investigation>



**The two Flyers currently in circulation – same info regarding 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023 Petition to No. 10**

#GoldMafia Demo Committee, CCC Diaspora, Citizens of Zimbabwe and those in the Zimbabwe Diaspora



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In the UK a Change Org petition was established, which quickly garners good support. Created by Cathy Fikile Tshezi replicated here and if you feel the need to sign [CLICK HERE](#)

*"It has been identified in a documentary carried out by Al Jazeera that the Zimbabwean President Emmerson Dambudzo Mnangagwa, appointed Eubert Angel ( self proclaimed 'businessman' and Prophet who preaches the gospel) as Zimbabwe Ambassador for Europe and America. It has surfaced in the documentary, where there were undercover journalists who purportedly to be from China and wanted gold. The President of Mines; Henrietta Rushwaya ( Emmerson Mnangagwa's niece) and Uebert Angel have been involved in money laundering and smuggling gold out of Zimbabwe to Dubai. There's other nationalities involved in this cartel. As Zimbabweans we strongly believe that all assets in the United Kingdom that belong to Uebert Angel should be frozen, as there's evidence that they were acquired illegally."*



["Please help us by signing this petition as Zimbabwe's economy has collapsed due to the actions of the selfish and greedy people in power."](#) ["Please help us by signing this petition as Zimbabwe's economy has collapsed due to the actions of the selfish and greedy people in power."](#)

*"The people of Zimbabwe are suffering as a result of these acts and they are faced with hardship and live in poverty. Zimbabwe has its economy collapsed yet it's got enough resources to sustain the nation and create jobs for the masses. The health care lacks equipment, medication and the people to provide care - as health professionals have fled the country in search of better salaries elsewhere in the diaspora. The education system is poor as there are no facilities in schools for children to learn. There are no classrooms, children learn outside under trees sitting on rocks, there's no school furniture, books and all other resources for the teachers to be able to provide the best education for the children of Zimbabwe. The infrastructure is poor and there is no proper sanitation and because of that it has left people falling ill because of waste not being managed adequately."*

*"The roads are in a terrible condition and lives are lost due to the poor state of the highways as they lack proper servicing and maintenance. There is no clean water and the people are relaying on boreholes that were donated to the community by other Zimbabweans in the diaspora after having heard of the plight faced by fellow Zimbabweans. There's been lives lost due to deaths caused by fire as there is no electricity and people use firewood, gas and candles, paraffin lamps to illuminate in the dark in their homes. All these problems are caused by the government who is involved in gold mafia and money laundering resulting in the country's economy collapsing."*

*"It is now time for all Zimbabwean all over the world and those who sympathise with us to bring this to an end and we take action by signing a petition that Uebert Angel has to be arrested for the crimes he's committed. The billions that are laundered and gold smuggled can help build back the economy of Zimbabwe."*

*"We stand in solidarity as the people of Zimbabwe" Written by Cathy Fikile Tshez*



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## 2023 Elections and the Death of any Democratic Space within Zimbabwe

‘Factionalism’ – the Cancer within Zimbabwe’s make up.

Historical Context:

African Studies Review , Volume 27 , Issue 1 , March 1984 , pp. 117 – 125 DOI:

<https://doi.org/10.2307/523953>[Opens in a new window] Copyright: Copyright © African Studies Association 1984

*“There has been a proliferation of factionalism in Zimbabwe politics from 1963 to the present. While some analysts have suggested ethnicity as the explaining factor, others sought to employ class analysis to explain the same phenomenon. Ostensibly, most of these analyses were the work of intellectuals and activists external to Zimbabwe but sympathetic to the cause of liberation. More recently, interest in this analytic tool seems to be gaining momentum among locals.”*

<https://nehandaradio.com/2023/03/27/zanu-pf-primaries-bigwigs-fall-as-factionalism-ravages-ruling-party/>

*“A new Zanu-PF support base is emerging following the fall of several party heavyweights, including ministers during the party’s primary elections this weekend amid reports of factionalism aligned to President Emmerson Mnangagwa and his deputy Constantino Chiwenga.”*

*“Already, before the Zanu-PF politburo has announced results, several veteran parliamentarians are still in shock after they fell by the wayside during the party’s internal election. Some are also crying foul citing incidents of alleged rigging and electoral malpractices.”*

*“Critics, however, allege that more than 30 members of parliament and Ministers belonging to the Mnangagwa faction lost Zanu PF primary elections to the Chiwenga faction.”*

*“As former Zimbabwe Electoral Commission (ZEC) top member Dr. Moyo Qhubani lost Zanu PF primary elections saying, “He lost elections due to rigging””*

*“Basically, some of the big names allegedly belonging to Mnangagwa faction that lost elections are:*

*John Mangwiro, Dexter Nduna, Mary Mliswa, Phillip Chiyangwa and Joseph Chinotimba, David Musabayana, Sekai Nzenza, Girovah Dzapasi, Patrick Dutiro, Simbaneuta Mudarikwa, Jenfan Muswere, Matsikenyerere, Kindness Paradza, Abednicho Ncube.”*

So who will the ‘British Establishment’ Follow now? The Embassy in Harare and the FCDO need to consider the overarching benefit of the majority and not the power struggles within the utterly corrupt Zanu PF {military} regime.





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## Upcoming Election Concerns

Source Afrobarometer: <https://www.afrobarometer.org/publication/zimbabweans-support-multiparty-competition-say-policy-preferences-inform-voter-decisions/>

<https://www.news24.com/news24/africa/news/low-trust-in-zimbabwe-electoral-commission-but-high-hopes-for-democracy-afrobarometer-survey-20230412>

### **Only 47% of Zimbabweans believe that the Zimbabwe Electoral Commission (ZEC) will conduct credible elections.**

This, despite the fact that locals are comfortable that their ability to vote by secret ballot guarantees their freedom of choice, an Afrobarometer study has found. The mistrust in the ZEC is foregrounded by the 2018 elections which, according to respondents to the survey, were not free and fair.

Zanu-PF's Emmerson Mnangagwa, who needed 50% plus one vote, received 50.8% of the vote and his closest rival, Nelson Chamisa - then leading the Movement for Democratic Change Alliance - received 44.3%. It took three days for the results to be announced. There was a 75% voter turnout in 2018, even though some raised fears of intimidation.

Now it's back to the race for Mnangagwa and Chamisa, who are expected to be the headline candidates in the elections between 26 July and 26 August. The ZEC is already under fire because the voters' roll has not been availed. In its defence, it said it was protecting the public's private data.

"The Data Protection Act has placed additional responsibilities on the commission in terms of the format in which this data is disseminated to the public, to protect the data of voters," ZEC chairperson Priscilla Chigumba told a committee in parliament on last Wednesday. She made the comment after the High Court kicked out a legal challenge from opposition legislator, Allan Norman "Rusty" Markham.

## Intimidation of Opposition Continues

Many Zimbabweans within the diaspora and supporters of the main legitimate opposition in the Zimbabwe had submitted a petition to the British PM, Rishi Sunak on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023 – to date, frustratingly {and particularly so considering the **#GOLDMAFIA**<sup>4</sup> exposition} no recognition from the Office of the Prime Minister or FCDO has taken place.

As a reminder this petition is available via this web link [https://ccc-diaspora.com/images/PDFs/petition-Job\\_SikhalaFULL-FINAL.pdf](https://ccc-diaspora.com/images/PDFs/petition-Job_SikhalaFULL-FINAL.pdf)

In addition the #GoldMafia exposition has triggered a great many reactions within the Global Zimbabwean Diaspora and a brief introduction to some of these is covered below.

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<sup>4</sup> <https://zexit.org/zexit/goldmafia-4-implications>



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## The Zimbabwe Diaspora and their Reactions

<https://take2zimbabwe.com/diaspora/55-gold-mafia-updates>

### Zambia

Having watched all the 4 Episodes one can only come to the realisation why Africa and in particular, Zimbabwe is such a deplorable state with no functional economy and the state of the infrastructure pathetic and its citizens reduced to beggars and squatters across the globe.

This year, Zimbabwe celebrates 43 years of what is supposed to be Independence from the colonialists and imperialists, *but for most of us, it has been years of oppression, deceit and plunder of our country's natural resources by the tyranny rule of Zanu Pf and its mafia under the first and the second republic. Violence and disregard of the rule of law has always been Zanu Pf's nature.*

I urge all Zimbabweans wherever you are, to stand up and say; NO TO PLUNDER OF OUR GOLD AND OTHER NATURAL RESOURCES, FREE JOB SIKHALA AND ALL THOSE PERSECUTED FOR SPEAKING OUT. NO to Zanu Pf rule by overwhelmingly voting them out in the upcoming elections. I know others may say they have the military, the courts etc., but that should not deter us. As CCC Zambia District, we are planning to join the rest of Zimbabweans across the globe by adding our voice on 18 April 2023. *By Punish Chidembo*

### USA

"Greetings, The Gold Mafia has been painful to watch. And we need to Act. On April 21 Zimbabweans will Protest at the **Zimbabwean Embassy in Washington DC**. This is a Citizens Protest and let's all Untie and send a clear message to the Zimbabwe Government that we are not happy."

In the USA a demonstration on the 21st April at the Republic of Zimbabwe Embassy, 1608 New Hampshire Avenue, NW; Washington DC 20009 see image of their flyer.

We, the **Zimbabwe Economic Movement**, a grassroots organization founded in the United States, are writing to bring to your attention the issue of **money laundering and illegal externalization of fund** by the Zimbabwean government and its supporters. We urge the Office of Foreign Assets Control to impose extensive sanctions on the individuals and entities implicated in the laundering of Gold from Zimbabwe, which has been estimated to be worth \$200 billion in the last 10 years.

### South Africa

ZIMBABWEANS living in South Africa will be staging a demonstration against Ambassador at Large Uebert Angel at his Johannesburg church this Friday. This follows the broadcasting of the Al Jazeera 'Gold Mafia' documentary which shows the self-styled prophet as the face of gold smuggling in Zimbabwe.

Angel was secretly recorded by the international news network's investigative unit offering to launder US\$1.2 billion using the Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe. He also boastfully claimed he was the second largest diplomat in the country and could smuggle anything using his diplomatic privileges.



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An invitation flier circulating on social media reads: "Call to all Zimbabweans living in the Republic of South Africa. "Protest against the Gold Mafia, free transport at Uebert Angel's church 1 Leeuenhof Road, Freeway Park, Boksburg, Johannesburg on 7 April 2023".

### Sweden and the EU

The European diaspora have produced a video of the visual impacts that the Zanu PF regime and their corruption - triggered by the revelations within *Al Jazeera's #GoldMafia* has had on the citizens within and without Zimbabwe: [View or Download HERE](#)

Following the descent of the Zimbabwean economy, misgovernance and the misrule of law which has been spiralling out of control in the past years - and now the recent revelation of the unfathomable corrupt behaviour in the looting of Zimbabwean minerals by Zimbabwean government officials and their cronies, the European Chapter of Zimbabwean Diasporans and Supporters will be holding several Anti-Looting protests and demonstrations on 18 April 2023 in the following countries:

***Austria; Belgium; Bulgaria; Croatia; Republic of Cyprus; Czech Republic; Denmark; Estonia; Finland; France; Germany; Greece; Hungary; Ireland; Italy; Latvia; Lithuania; Luxembourg; Malta; Netherlands; Poland; Portugal; Romania; Slovakia; Slovenia; Spain; Sweden.***

### Change Radio Zimbabwe

*""We will be naive to think that the Zimbabwean government will deal with corruption, Priscilla Mupfumira who looted \$95 million from the state pension fund is coming back as Zanu PF senate candidate. They are not even ashamed they bring in the most corrupt ones so they can loot more""*

Change Radio made this recent statement on Twitter: *""UK & Ireland get ready for the upcoming protest on 18 April 2023. Starting at @UAEEmbassyUK protestors are demanding the UAE Ambassador to the UK acknowledges Dubai's role in the Gold Mafia & money laundering looting & to take action. Investigate all persons involved.""*

### Transparency International: Zimbabwe

["AL JAZEERA "GOLD MAFIA" DOCUMENTARY DEMONSTRATES URGENT NEED TO COMBAT CORRUPTION IN ZIMBABWE](#)

Gold Mafia: Episode 1-The Laundry Service, released on 23rd March 2023, exposes alleged illicit financial flows from Zimbabwe, including serious allegations of abuse of diplomatic immunity, illicit gold trading, corruption and money laundering in the mining sector. Transparency International calls on the Financial Intelligence Unit, Zimbabwe Republic Police and the Zimbabwe Anti-Corruption Commission to investigate further and introduce the necessary reforms to end such activities in the country.

The documentary comes after the release of the [2022 Corruption Perceptions Index](#), which revealed endemic corruption in Zimbabwe, with a score of just 23 out of 100. New scandals of grand corruption and abuses of public office continue to emerge, which damages the country in the perspective of investors and development partners. Along with the shocking findings of the documentary, these results make clear that it's time for the government to take stronger action against corruption and money laundering.





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**Signatures Signed by: Organisers and Supporters**

Name	Organisation	Signature
Change Org Petition:	c/o Cathy Fikile Tshez: <a href="https://zexit.org/zexit/change-org">https://zexit.org/zexit/change-org</a>	<b>18,623 signatures</b>
Model Pamire	CCC UK Province Organising Secretary	
Patricia Chinyoka	CCC UK Province and concerned Zimbabwean Citizen	
Racqueline Changunda	ROHR Information & Publicity sub-committee, & Organising Secretary of South Branch	
Margret Tashayawedu	ROHR and concerned Zimbabwean Citizen	
John C Burke	ZHRO Founder and principal Author of this Petition	
Nicholatte Gwati	ROHR Zimbabwe: Chair	
Leo Ndlovu	ZAPU EU Representative	

**Signed by: Petitioners who will deliver the written Petition to 10 Downing Street**

Name	Organisation	Signature
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Gladys Meck	ZHRO London Branch Chair	
Racqueline Changunda	ROHR Information & Publicity sub-committee, & Organising Secretary of South Branch	
Elizabeth Busuman	CCC	
Lloyd Shumbayaonda	CCC Manchester Branch Vice Treasurer	
Model Pamire	CCC UK Province Organising Secretary	