

CDA worried that murders being ignored

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The Christian Democratic Alliance (CDA) was upset that murders that have taken place since AWB leader Eugene Terre'Blanche was killed were not getting the same amount of attention. "The tragedy is that since Terre'Blanche's murder, between 700 and 1000 South Africans have been murdered at the rate of 50 per day. None of which have drawn the same attention," said CDA leader Rev Theunis Botha.

It was not possible to verify Botha's figure as police do not release short-term statistics, but he said these figures were tallied by two of his staffers. He referred to recently reported crimes such as the fatal beating of a man while his wife was gang-raped and his toddler assaulted, as well as the death of a young Cape Town man who died after an early morning home invasion.

"The only conclusion that can be drawn, is that with the inability of the government to protect its citizens and effectively deal with criminals, South Africa is fast becoming a 'failed-state,'" said Botha.

Terre'Blanche was murdered on April 3 and two people were currently in custody. His death and funeral drew significant local and international media attention.