

Comrade Mugabe – despite reports of ill-health – was fit enough to join our demonstration outside the South African High Commission. But mentally he seems to have lost it, judging by the mis-spellings in the poster he was carrying: ‘SADC Final: Mugabwe 10, Zumabwe 0’. But the scornful message was clear.

The demonstration marked the expiry of the 30-day deadline given by SADC for the leaders of the unity government to settle the issues outstanding from the Global Political Agreement signed two years ago this month. Their contempt for Zuma and SADC in general can be seen from a statement by MDC spokesman Nelson Chamisa that neither negotiators nor principals had even had a meeting to discuss the deadline (see: <http://www.theindependent.co.zw/local/27951-tsvangirai-meets-zuma-over-poll-roadmap.html>).

Highlight of the day was supporters wearing mourning bands toyi-toying down the Strand from South Africa House accompanied by drumming and holding banners and posters such as ‘

Mugabe betrays Southern Africa’, ‘No more Mugabe lies’, ‘Zimbabwe Coalition Kills’, ‘No returning of Zimbabwean refugees by South Africa’ and ‘Two years since sell-out agreement to form Zimbabwean unity government. Result: no rule of law, continued human rights abuses, no democracy, unemployment at 90%, no media freedom, tyrant Mugabe still in power, looting of blood diamonds’.

- Thanks to Patrick Nyamwanza who took the part of Mugabe and to Josephine Zhuga and Rashiwe Bayisayi in their blood-stained tshirts (courtesy of the free ketchup pots in MacDonalds across the road).
- We were happy to be joined by our Swazi friend and supporter Thobile Gwebu just released from detention.

She told Vigil supporters how grateful she was for their support in preventing her deportation and ending her detention.

- On the last Vigil of summer – when it is becoming cooler in the evening – we were grateful for hot food from Augustine Makora and Edward Mutamiswa who brought a delicious stew of pig’s trotters (and a vegetarian alternative) to sell to Vigil supporters. All proceeds were donated to the Vigil.
- We enjoyed a cake to celebrate the birthday of Vigil Co-ordinator Dumi Tutani.

For latest Vigil pictures check: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/zimbabwewigil/> . For the latest

ZimVigil TV programme check the link at the top of the home page of our website.

FOR THE RECORD: 203 signed the register.

EVENTS AND NOTICES:

· **The Restoration of Human Rights in Zimbabwe (ROHR)** is the Vigil's partner organisation based in Zimbabwe
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ROHR grew out of the need for the Vigil to have an organisation on the ground in Zimbabwe which reflected the Vigil's mission statement in a practical way. ROHR in the UK actively fundraises through membership subscriptions, events, sales etc to support the activities of ROHR in Zimbabwe

· **IOM Live Video Conference with Returnees in Zimbabwe.** Wednesday 22nd September from 9.30 am to 1.30 pm. Venue: International Organisation for Migration, 21 Westminster Palace Gardens, Artillery Row, London SW1P 1RR.
Attendance is free, but registration is required. To confirm your attendance or for more information about the event, please call 020 7808 1083 or email infouk@iom.int

Lunch will be provided.

· **ROHR Coventry general meeting.** Saturday 25th September from 1 – 5 pm. Venue: 90a Paynes Lane, Coventry CV1 5JH
. ROHR National Executive and a well known lawyer present. Contact V.J Mujeye 07534034594, Matambanashwe Sibanda 07886660392, Pauline Makuwere 07575265710, P. Mapfumo 07932216070/07915926323 or P Chibanguza 07908406069

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- - **ROHR Liverpool Vigil.** Saturday 25th September from 2 – 5 pm. Venue: Church Street (Outside Primark), Liverpool City Centre. For details please contact: Anywhere Mungoyo 07939913688, Trywell Migeri 07956083758, Panyika Karimanzira 07551062161. Future demonstration: 9th October. Same time and venue.
 - **ROHR Basildon and Thurrock general meeting.** Saturday 25th September from 2 – 6 pm. Venue: WRVS, Richmond Road, Benfleet, Essex. ROHR executive members present. Contact Tobokwa Malikogwa 07865156381, Nhamo E Kumumvuri 07623337115 or P Mapfumo 07915926323/07932216070.
 - **LoveZim International Prayer Day.** Sunday 26th September. LoveZim is asking that people join them in prayer for Zimbabwe on this day. For more information check: www.lovezim.com
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- - **ROHR Wolverhampton relaunch meeting.** Date to be advised. Venue: Heath Town Community Centre, 208 Chevril Rise, Wolverhampton WV10 0HP. It's time for you to join in the Struggle for Peace, Justice and Freedom for Zimbabwe. Contact P Chibanguza 07908406069, P Nkomo 07817096594, P Dunduru 07958386718, D Mtendereki 07771708800 or P Mapfumo 07915926323/07932216070.
 - **ROHR Woking general meeting.** Saturday 2nd October from 2 – 5 pm. Venue: Ravenswood Court

Hillview Road

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. Contact: Isaac Mudzamiri 07774044873, Sithokozile Hlokana 07886203113 or P Mapfumo on 07915926323 / 07932216070

· **ROHR Stevenage general meeting.** Saturday 16th October. Venue: Poplars Bandley Hill Community Centre, Stevenage

, Herts SG2 9RZ from 1.30 – 5.30. ROHR Executive present. Contact Jemitas Mare 07570191705, K Mashonganyika 07962383872 or P Mapfumo 07915926323, 07932216070

· **Vigil Facebook page:** <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=8157345519&ref=ts> .

· **Vigil Myspace page:** <http://www.myspace.com/zimbabwевigil> .

· **‘Through the Darkness’, Judith Todd’s acclaimed account of the rise of Mugabe.** To receive a copy by post in the UK please email confirmation of your order and postal address to

ngwenyasr@yahoo.co.uk

and send a cheque for £10 payable to “Budiro Trust” to Emily Chadburn, 15 Burners Close, Burgess Hill, West Sussex RH15 0QA. All proceeds go to the Budiro Trust which provides bursaries to needy A Level students in

Zimbabwe

· **Workshops aiming to engage African men on HIV testing and other sexual health issues.** Organised by the Terrence Higgins Trust (www.tht.org.uk). Please contact the co-ordinator

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if you are interested in taking part.