

PETITION
UKZN WORKERS' FORUM

WE SUPPORT THE WORKERS
AWAY WITH OUTSOURCING AND LABOUR BROKERS
REINSTATE THE 9 DISMISSED SECURITY WORKERS

We, the undersigned members of the UKZN university community, support the struggle of the contract workers for a living wage and decent treatment. The university management is morally obliged to protect cleaners, security, gardening, and other workers from the harsh contract companies.

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An injury to one is an injury to all
Please submit filled petition to the Centre for Civil Society, Howard College, UKZN
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SIXHASA ABASEBENZI ABAXHASHAZWAYO
ABABUYISWE ABASEBENZI BE-SECURITY ABAWU 9 ABAXOSHIWE
AKUQEDWE IZIKONTRAKI KANYE NAMA-LABOUOR BROKER

Thina esisayinde lapha singabasebenzi nezitshudeni zase-UKZN. Sixhasa umzabalazo wabasebenzi bezikontraki abafuna iholo eliphilisayo nempatho engcono. Iyunivesithi kufanele ivikele ama-cleaner, security, abengadi kanye nabanye abasebenzi. Izinkampani zekontraki zinonya nesihluku esimangalisayo.

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UKZN WORKERS FORUM
c/o Centre for Civil Society
Howard College campus
UKZN

2009 September 16

TO: Mr Charles Poole
The Executive Director
Physical Planning and Operations
UKZN

Dear Sir

DISSAPPOINTMENT AT YOUR REFUSAL TO MEET WITH US

Greetings. We are workers doing useful work for the university but employed by contract companies. We submit that our bosses are not treating us well and this affects the quality of service rendered to the university. We believe that the university has a moral obligation to defend our human and labour rights.

We were disappointed to hear that after receiving our letter, dated 27 August 2009, requesting a meeting, you chose not to respond to it. Instead, in a chance meeting, you told Comrade Trevor Ngwane that you are not prepared to meet with contract workers and that you had nothing to say to us.

You raised our hopes in the speech you made at the seminar convened by the Centre for Civil Society held on the 12th August. You said, among other things, that your door was open to meet with workers or members of the university community around the issue of contracts. You also promised to take back everything you heard and saw at the seminar back to your principals, namely, the vice-chancellor, his deputies and senior university management. Your speech got a round of applause from the big audience of workers, students and academics present no doubt because of its vision and leadership quality.

It is disappointing that you are now refusing to honour your word to the meeting. We would like to thank you for your cooperation up to so far. Since you have indicated that you cannot or will not help us, we wish to take our grievances one level up to the office of the Vice-chancellor. We hope he and his deputies will have at least the time to meet with us and listen to our story.

Thank you.

Yours in struggle

XOLISWA NGXUKUMESHE

LULAMA MGINGQIZANA

On behalf of the UKZN Workers' Forum

cc The Vice-Chancellor and the Deputy Vice-Chancellors