



If you would like to share news or information with our readers, please send the unique stories, business

news organization events, and school news to us including your name and phone number in case more information is needed.

For news and information consideration, please send to News@scdaily.com or contact
John Robbins 832-280-5815
Jun Gai 281-498-4310

The best private high schools in Houston for 2019



Inside C2

Southern DAILY

Make Today Different

Southern Daily News is published by Southern News Group Daily

Publisher: Wea H. Lee
General Manager: Catherine Lee
Editor: John Robbins, Jun Gai
Business Manager: Jennifer Lopez
Address: 11122 Bellaire Blvd., Houston, TX 77072
E-mail: News@scdaily.com

Saturday, August 25, 2018 | www.today-america.com | Southern News Group

Trump says 'I will stay uninvolved' after slamming Sessions, Justice

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - President Donald Trump expressed sympathy for his former campaign manager Paul Manafort and said he would remain "uninvolved" after he attacked Attorney General Jeff Sessions and the U.S. Justice Department in an interview broadcast on Thursday.

Trump intensified his criticism of the Justice Department in a Fox News interview taped on Wednesday as the White House grappled to respond to Tuesday's conviction of Manafort on multiple fraud counts and a plea deal struck by Trump's former personal lawyer Michael Cohen that implicated the president.

Trump also said the stock market would crash if he were impeached and attacked Cohen for "flipping" on him.

He reprised a litany of complaints about the Justice Department and the FBI, attacking both without providing evidence they had treated him and his supporters unfairly.

Trump told Fox he respected Manafort for work he had done for prominent Republican politicians, adding that "some of the charges they threw against him, every consultant, every lobbyist in Washington probably does."

The Fox News reporter who interviewed Trump said on Wednesday that Trump told her he would consider pardoning Manafort. But Trump never said he was considering the pardon in the interview that aired on Thursday.

Trump blamed Sessions for what he called corruption at Justice, saying, "I put in an attorney general who never took control of the Justice Department."

However, Trump said he would not interfere in department matters. "I will stay uninvolved and maybe that's the best thing to do," he said in the Fox interview.

Sessions, a longtime U.S. senator and early supporter of Trump's presidential bid, drew Trump's ire when he recused himself in March 2017 from issues involving the 2016 White House race. "WHAT KIND OF A MAN?"

That removed him from oversight of the federal special counsel's investigation of Russia's role in the election and whether Trump's campaign worked with Moscow to influence the vote.

"Jeff Sessions recused himself, which he shouldn't have done," Trump said. "He took the job and then he said, 'I'm going to recuse myself.' I said, 'What kind of a man is this?'"

U.S. intelligence agencies have concluded that Russia hacked and leaked Democratic emails during the campaign as part of an effort to tilt the vote in Trump's favor. The Kremlin has denied the allegations and Trump has denied any collusion.

Trump said Manafort and Cohen were charged with matters totally unrelated to his presidential campaign, although Cohen told a federal court in New York that Trump had directed him to arrange payments before the 2016 election to silence two women who said they had affairs with Trump.

Without providing evidence, the Republican president said the campaign finance violations to which Cohen pleaded guilty were not a crime, even though prosecutors and Cohen agreed they were.

Asked if he directed Cohen to make the payments, Trump said only that Cohen made both deals. He attacked Cohen, who once said he was so loyal that he would "take a bullet" for Trump, for agreeing to a plea deal with prosecutors that made Trump look bad.

"It's called flipping and it almost ought to be illegal," he said.

In the Fox News interview, Trump was asked whether he thought Democrats would move to impeach him if they won control of the House of Representatives in November congressional elections.

"I don't know how you would impeach somebody who's done a great job," he said. "If I got impeached, I think the market would crash."



FILE PHOTO: Cohen joins supporters praying over during a campaign stop at the New Spirit Revival Center

U.S. intelligence contractor Reality Winner sentenced for leaking report

(Reuters) - A federal judge sentenced former U.S. intelligence contractor Reality Winner on Thursday to more than five years in prison after she admitted leaking to a media outlet a top secret report on Russian interference in U.S. elections, her attorney said.

During a hearing in Winner's hometown of Augusta, Georgia, Judge James Hall approved a request by her lawyers for a sentence of 63 months, followed by three years of supervised release, according to Elizabeth Bell, a spokeswoman for Winner's attorneys.

Winner had been working with Pluribus International Corp, a company that provides analytical services for U.S. defense and intelligence agencies.

The NSA document she gave the news outlet contained technical details on what it said were Russian attempts to hack election officials in the United States and a voting-machine company before the presidential election in November 2016, two U.S. officials with knowledge of the case have said.

Winner was indicted on a single federal count of willful retention and transmission of national defense information, a felony



FILE PHOTO: Combination photo showing Winner, the U.S. intelligence contractor charged with leaking classified National Security Agency material in this undated booking photo in Lincoln

under the Espionage and Censorship Act that carries a maximum sentence of 10 years in prison. A federal judge had ordered that she be held without bond after prosecutors said she posed a flight risk and public danger, citing what they called "disturbing"

comments in her notebook. In one section Winner wrote: "I want to burn the White House down," according to prosecutors, who said investigators also found the names of three Islamic extremists known to federal authorities listed in her notebook.

Sophie S Zheng PC seeks a financial Analyst to: Prepare income statement & balance sheet; maintain information system; establish & maintain internal control system; Prepare budget & analyze variance; explain accounting policies; analyze cash flow; prepare forecasting; prepare budget, profit projection & profitability analysis. Bachelor's degree in accounting, finance, or business related required.

Send fax to **713-871-2379**



Yuki Sushi & Teishoku House will be opening soon.

They will be offering beer and wine at this location.

Address: 9115 FM 723 Rd., #500, Richmond, TX 77406

Tel. 202-558-4079



The best private high schools in Houston for 2019

Sending a child to a private school can make a sizable dent in your wallet, especially since these institutions can sometimes equal the cost of attending a 4-year university.

So it makes sense to figure out which private school gives you the most bang for your buck.

For some comparison, education data site Niche recently released its rankings of top private high schools in Houston. Research-

ers used U.S. Department of Education data, SAT/ACT scores and student surveys in their studies.

Aside from academic excellence, the rankings reveal information like tuition costs, student enrollment, and the ratio of students to teachers.

Schools that made it to the list were found in Houston, its suburbs and neighboring areas like The Woodlands.



Texas schools rank among Forbes' top colleges in 2018



#197 Baylor University
Type: Private non-profit

Seven Texas universities ranked among the first 200 in Forbes' list of America's Top Colleges.

The ranking featured Texas giants like Texas A&M University, College Station, and University of Texas, Austin, among other private universities.

Some of the criteria analyzed included alumni salary, student debt, student experience, and graduation rate, according to Forbes' methodology.

The Texas university that ranked the highest this year was Rice.



#28 Rice University
Type: Private not-for-profit



- | | |
|---|--|
| 1. St. John's School
Annual tuition: \$27,545
Student to teacher ratio: 7 to 1
Student enrollment: 1,258 | 6. The Village School
Annual tuition: \$28,125
Student to teacher ratio: 5 to 1
Student enrollment: 1,705 |
| 2. The Kinkaid School
Annual tuition: \$25,000
Student to teacher ratio: 10 to 1
Student enrollment: 1,423 | 7. The John Cooper School
Annual tuition: \$24,685
Student to teacher ratio: 11 to 1
Student enrollment: 1,201 |
| 3. The Awty International School
Annual tuition: \$26,910
Student to teacher ratio: 7 to 1
Student enrollment: 1,644 | 8. The Emery/Weiner School
Annual tuition: \$21,030
Student to teacher ratio: 8 to 1
Student enrollment: 525 |
| 4. Strake Jesuit College Preparatory School
Annual tuition: \$20,800
Student to teacher ratio: 11 to 1
Student enrollment: 1,108 | 9. St. Thomas High School
Annual tuition: \$18,250
Student to teacher ratio: 11 to 1
Student enrollment: 590 |
| 5. St. Agnes Academy
Annual tuition: \$18,850
Student to teacher ratio: 9 to 1
Student enrollment: 921 | 10. St. Thomas Episcopal School
Annual tuition: \$17,750
Student to teacher ratio: 6 to 1
Student enrollment: 666 |

2018年風水命理研習班 八字基礎班 即將開課 風水大師衍易女史授課

學會如何排八字，就能了解自己先天稟賦的五行強弱，懂得如何利用天時、地利來趨吉避凶。

瞭解八字的五行生剋，就能改善夫妻關係、親子關係、朋友關係；更能懂得上司心理，洞察員工心態。

衍易老師用深入淺出的教學方式，讓你覺得八字不但不難學，而且生動有趣。

衍易老師最後一次開班，名額有限，千萬不要錯失良機！

八字基礎班

開課日期：
9月9日，9月16日
上課時間：
下午2時 - 6時

新班預告

八字進階班。深研班。精進班

開課日期：
9月23日，9月30日（八字進階班）
10月21日，10月28日（八字深研班）
12月2日，12月9日（八字精進班）

凡是中國人，
一定聽過「八字」；
「八字」究竟是什麼？



衍易風水命理工作坊 www.FengShuiProfessor.com

報名專線：832-202-5751 吳小姐 同時開放網上報名

研習費用： 新生 \$200元、舊生160元、複習班 \$40元

上課地點： 中華文化中心 9800 Town Park Room 236
Houston TX 77036

高科技快速數位快印來臨！

為您提供各類廣告宣傳產品，設計製作一站式服務！

MEET ALL YOUR PROMOTIONAL NEEDS
UNDER ONE ROOF

美南印刷

USA PRINTING

A Southern Chinese Daily Company



✓專業設計 ✓全彩印刷
✓數碼快印 ✓大幅噴繪



TEL: 281-983-8152 (CHINESE) 281-983-8154 (ENGLISH)

WE'LL HELP YOU GET THE STAND OUT

11122 BELLAIRE BLVD., HOUSTON, TX 77072

E-MAIL: JENNIFERITC@GMAIL.COM

Editor's Choice



Swimming - 2018 Asian Games - Women's 200m Individual Medley Final - GBK Aquatic Center, Jakarta, Indonesia - August 24, 2018 South Korea's Seoyeong Kim celebrates winning the Women's 200m Individual Medley REUTERS/Athit Perawongmetha



Explore Red Bull content in new and creative ways with evergreen albums curated by our editors. This week's feature album Follow The Lines focuses on imagery that draws you in with original framing and leading lines. // Bruno Hoffmann performs during the production of the Devil's Voice project in Berlin, Germany on September 16, 2017 // Lorenz Holder/Red Bull Content Pool /



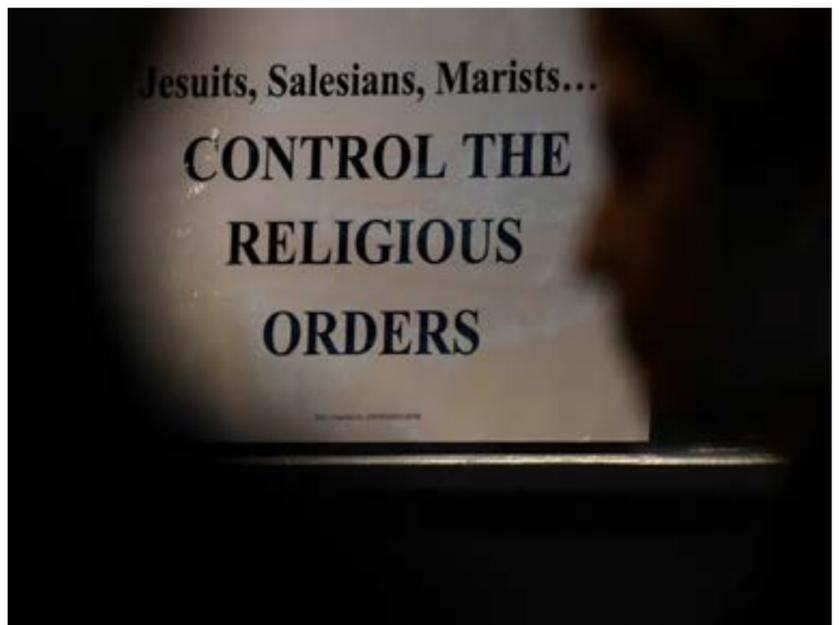
British Secretary of State for International Trade Liam Fox watches the signing ceremony for memorandums of understanding between British and Chinese firms and institutions at the British Ambassador's Residence in Beijing, China August 24, 2018. Mark Schiefelbein/Pool via REUTERS



A woman walks past a billboard showing a picture of Pope Francis alongside adverts for theatre shows in Dublin, Ireland



People attend a news conference by the protest group Ending Clergy Abuse ahead of a two day visit by Pope Francis in Dublin, Ireland



People attend a news conference by the protest group Ending Clergy Abuse ahead of a two day visit by Pope Francis in Dublin, Ireland



Citizens gather around a car that distribute meat for the poor families in the old city of Mosul



Scientists use donated faeces to improve the bowel movements of sick patients



U.S. President Donald Trump's national security adviser John Bolton speaks at a news conference in Kiev

Looking for a pet? Dozens of neglected and abandoned animals being cared for at the Houston Humane Society need a home.

About 6.5 million animals end up in shelters across the U.S. each year, including 3.3 million dogs and 3.2 million cats, according to the ASPCA.

The Houston Humane Society offers adoption tips and its one-page application on its website. Fees are \$125 for dogs 25 pounds and less, \$125 for dogs six months and younger, \$95 for dogs seven months or 26 pounds or more and \$50 for cats.



The shelter is located at 14700 Alameda Road in Houston. Adoption hours are Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The spay and neuter clinic is open Monday through Saturday by appointment only.

Related

Help Us Clear the Shelters 2018



KPRC TV2 once again joined NBC Universal's Clear the Shelters initiative and teamed up with Telemundo Hous-

Looking For A Pet?
Here Are The Houston Humane Society Animals That Need Homes Now

Compiled And Edited By John T. Robbins, Southern Daily Editor

HOUSTON HUMANE SOCIETY

Non-Profit • Supported by Donations



ton and animal shelters in the Houston area to host the third annual Clear the Shelters nationwide pet adoption drive on Saturday, Aug. 18.

that local animal shelters typically experience in the summer months because of spring litters.

Last year, more than 80,000 pets were adopted as a result of the Clear the Shelters nationwide campaign. Nearly 3,000 of those pet adoptions took place in the Houston area. Since 2015, Clear the Shelters has resulted in more than 150,000 pet adoptions nationwide.

Participating animal shelters in the Houston area offer no-cost or reduced fee adoptions or waived pet spaying and neutering fees.

Rescue groups will host adoptions at the Children's Museum of Houston as indicated in the listings below. Crime Stoppers of Houston, SNAP and Houston PetSet will be sharing information about animal care and animal cruelty prevention at the Children's Museum of

Clear the Shelters also helps to raise awareness about the importance of pet adoption and the overcrowding issues

Houston event as well. Event hours at the Children's Museum of Houston on August 18 are 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Participating shelters include (shelter hours may vary, please contact shelter for hours of operation):

HOUSTON:

***A Chance to Bloom | Event at Chil-

dren's Museum of Houston

BARC Animal Shelter | 3300 Carr St. Houston, TX 77026 | (832) 395-9009

Citizens for Animal Protection (CAP)

| 17555 Katy Fwy Houston, TX 77094

| (281) 497-0053

***Diamond in the Fluff Rescue |

Event at Children's Museum of Houston

***DREAM | Event at Children's Museum of Houston

***GOOD LIF3 Bully Rescue | Event at Children's Museum of Houston

Harris County Animal Shelter | 612 Canino Rd, Houston, TX 77076 | (832) 927-1133

(Courtesy Click2Houston)



A Message From Congressman Al Green

About AI | Serving You | Media Center | Legislative Work | District | Resources | Contact Me

August 23, 2018

FOR IMMEDIATE DISTRIBUTION **Kwentoria A. Williams**
Wednesday, August 22, 2018 **Cell Phone: 202-430-0125**
Email: algreenpress@mail.house.gov

Congressman Al Green's Statement on the Harris County Flood Control Bond Election

(Houston, TX) - On Wednesday, August 22, 2018, Congressman Al Green released the following statement regarding local flood control funding:

"A year ago, Hurricane Harvey wreaked havoc on the City of Houston, dumping over 9 trillion gallons of water on the Greater Houston Area. Houstonians have made tireless, unyielding efforts to recover. While we should honor this Nation and the world that we are #HoustonStrong, we cannot ignore that this city has seen more than its fair share of flooding in the past 5 years alone, and it seems that the damages only get worse. Investing in flood control projects and specifically mitigation allows our community to not only recover from the tragic aftermath of Harvey but mitigate future flood damage. Most importantly, existing federal projects require a local funding match to receive the federal dollars needed to complete these projects. I support the determination by our local community to invest in its future by protecting property and saving lives."

###

Washington, DC: 2347 Rayburn HOB, Washington, DC 20515, Phone: (202) 225-7608, Fax: (202) 225-2947, Hours: M-F 9AM-5PM EST

Houston Office: 3003 South Loop West, Suite 400, Houston, TX 77004, Phone: 713-383-9254, Fax: 713-383-9202, Hours: M-F 9AM-5PM CST

真實的高科技產品 不用電影明星作秀 不用“美國抗癌協會”字樣作假

癌 固本扶正不助邪 祛邪解毒不傷身

《美國ZK靈芝破壁孢子三萜油軟膠囊》
(醫用級) 三萜類濃度>40%

全球唯一正品標誌ZK品牌，其他品牌均屬仿製或偽劣

- 100% 靈芝孢子萃取：靈芝三萜類、三萜醇 > 40%
- 請認准包裝上“ZK-中國科學院”、唯一正品靈芝三萜孢子油
- 中國科學院、世界獨家 - 太空育種靈芝
- 中國科學院、世界獨家 - 超臨界CO2授權專利技術
- 新加坡抗腫瘤中藥認證、美國FDA正式註冊
- 中國頂尖品牌、全球銷量第一
- 最純正、最精良、最具有高科技的靈芝孢子萃取物
- 無毒、無重金屬農藥殘留、無任何化學添加

天然藥理作用： 國際醫學研究證實靈芝三萜、三萜醇可作用身體各器官系統

- 排除體內細胞毒素、抗癌、抗過敏、抑制組胺釋放。
- 排除體內重金屬、農藥毒素、抑制血管緊張素轉化酶、護臟防癌。
- 提供細胞足夠氧氣、抑制膽固醇合成和抗氧化、降膽固醇和血脂、膽紅素、改善肝組織纖維化，恢復SOD活性等。

適合人群：

1. 晚期癌症、早期癌症、正在接受放化療、或手術後康復的癌症患者。
2. 免疫低下、有癌症家族史、愛滋病、易流感、易病毒感染人群。
3. 內分泌代謝紊亂、過敏性體質、血脂、血壓、血糖、血粘稠度高患者。
4. 慢性肝臟患者、慢性腎衰竭患者。

輔助效果：

1. 迅速強化免疫、保護骨髓；改善白細胞減少、血小板、紅細胞、血紅蛋白數降低等。
2. 迅速緩解疲乏、無力、感染、發熱、出血等症狀。
3. 迅速緩解解症、愛滋病造成的不適、提高生活質量、延長生命。
4. 保護心肺：強心強肺，緩解心跳無力、呼吸困難。
5. 保護腎臟：緩解血尿、蛋白尿、水腫、尿毒症等症。
6. 保護肝臟：緩解肝壞死、肝纖維化、脂肪肝等。
7. 保護腸胃：緩解口乾、食慾不振、噁心、嘔吐、便秘等。

服用量：

- 正在治療、晚期癌症患者：每日2次，每次2粒
- 輔助其他上述慢性疾：每日1-2次，每次1粒
- 預防細胞變異：每日1粒

廠家提醒：任何靈芝類三萜都不是藥品，不能替代醫生治療，有病一定要看醫生

免費諮詢電話：1-877-704-7117(中文按2) 網上平價銷售：www.chinesemiracleherb.com

休士頓唯一指定零售(東方盧林中醫)：713-774-5558 ; 專家直線電話：832-588-7516

珍寶

Lean Palace 珍寶海鮮城

OCEAN PALACE Restaurant

天天茶市 正宗粵菜 港式點心

二樓大型豪華宴會廳
大型舞台,可容納百餘席

精心承辦婚禮/壽宴/社團等各類型宴會

本海鮮酒樓常備各種生猛游水海鮮

珊瑚蝦、帶子、彩龍魚、龍躉斑、紅斑魚、象拔蚌
刀蜆、龍蝦、加州大蟹、阿拉斯加皇帝蟹

地址:11215 Bellaire Blvd. (位於香港城商場)
訂座電話:281-988-8898 歡迎預訂全年酒席、社團聚餐



South Africa farm seizures: The proposal was announced by Cyril Ramaphosa (Image: GETTY)

THE South African government has begun the process of seizing land from white farmers. Local newspaper City Press reports two game farms in the northern province of Limpopo are the first to be targeted for unilateral seizure after negotiations with the owners to purchase the properties stalled.

While the government says it intends to pay, owners Akkerland Boerdery wanted 200 million rand (\$18.7 million) for the land — they're being offered just 20 million rand (\$1.87 million).

"Notice is hereby given that a terrain inspection will be held on the farms on April 5, 2018 at 10am in order to conduct an audit of the assets and a handover of the farm's keys to the state," a letter sent to the owners earlier this year said. Earlier this month, City Press reported the government had drawn up a list of 139 farms it planned to seize "to test out" section 25 of the constitution.

The newspaper said employees at the department had been ordered to press ahead with the process at the Land Claims Court. If the seizures go ahead, it would be the first time the state refuses to pay market value for land.

Since the end of apartheid in 1994, the ANC has followed a "willing seller, willing buyer" process to redistribute white-owned farms to blacks. A 2017 government audit found white people owned 72 per cent of private farmland in South Africa.

According to the 2011 census, there are about 4.6 million white people in South Africa, accounting for 8.9 per cent of the population. ANC spokesman Zizi Kodwa would not reveal details of the farms targeted and attempted to play down investor fears, saying the proposed seizures were "tied to addressing the injustices of the past".

"Over time I think the markets as well as investors will appreciate that what we are doing is creating policy certainty and creating the conditions for future investment," he told City Press. Afriforum, a civil-rights group representing the white Afrikaner minority, subsequently released what it claimed to be a leaked list of 190 farms "being circulated in the department", inviting farmers to check if they were on it and asking them to get in touch "so that we can pre-

pare for a joint legal strategy". Earlier this month, cattle farmer Jo-an Engelbrecht told the ABC's Foreign Correspondent his farm just outside Johannesburg was now "worth zero".

"We had several auctions in the last two or three weeks cancelled because there was no people interested in buying the land," he said. "Why would you buy a farm to know the government's going to take it?" (Courtesy https://www.news.com.au/finance/economy)

Related South Africa farm seizures BEGIN: Chaos as first expropriation of white-owned farms starts

SOUTH AFRICA's government has begun seizing land from white farmers, targeting two game farms in the northern province of Limpopo after talks with the owners to buy the properties collapsed.

Johannesburg-based newspaper City Press reported owners Akkerland Boerdery wanted 200 million rand (£16.7m) for the land, but that the country's government were willing to offer them just a tenth of that at 20 million rand (£1.67m).

A letter sent to the owners earlier this year had said: "Notice is hereby given that a terrain inspection will be held on the farms on April 5, 2018 at 10am in order to conduct an audit of the assets and a handover of the farm's keys to the state."

Akkerland Boerdery immediately took out an urgent injunction to prevent eviction until a court had ruled on the issue, but the Department of Rural Development and Land Affairs has refused the application.

Annelie Crosby, spokeswoman for the agricultural industry association AgriSA, told City Press: "What makes the Akkerland case unique is that they apparently were not given the opportunity to first dispute the claim in court, as the law requires."

ANC spokesman Zizi Kodwa refused to reveal details of the farms being targeted and has attempted to calm investor fears, adding the proposed seizures were "tied to addressing the

injustices of the past". South Africa farm seizures: Gwede Mantashe sparked panic among the farming community (Photo/GETTY) But the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform denied the list was real with spokeswoman Linda Page telling News24: "We don't know where they got this from. There is no truth in this document."

On Sunday, Afriforum CEO Ernest Roets confirmed that the two farms - Salaitna and Lukin - were the first two to be targeted. He said: "So the debate about the authenticity of the list is settled then?"

"We hope that the gravity of the state's plans for expropriation is understood and that people will see through the dishonesty of the Department of Land Reform and Rural Development."

"We hope that the attempts to discredit the legitimacy of the list has now been proven to be malicious for good. We shouldn't be misled by those who sing Kumbaya while the state is planning to expropriate property."

AgriSA had described Afriforum's release of the list as "irresponsible" and "inflammatory", saying " cursory background research showed" several inaccuracies, including that a number of the farms were joint ventures co-owned by black people.

On Sunday, Mr Roets tweeted that the two farms — Salaitna and Lukin — were the first two names on Afriforum's list. "So the debate about the authenticity of the list is settled then?" he said. "We hope that the gravity of the state's plans for expropriation is understood and that people will see through the dishonesty of the Department of Land Reform and Rural Development."

"We hope that the attempts to discredit the legitimacy of the list has now been proven to be malicious for good. We shouldn't be misled by those who sing Kumbaya while the state is planning to expropriate property."

South Africa has targeted the first two farms for unilateral seizure after the owners refused an offer of one-tenth of the land's value

South Africa Begins Seizing White-Owned Farms

Compiled And Edited By John T. Robbins, Southern Daily Editor

the first to be targeted for unilateral seizure after negotiations with the owners to purchase the properties stalled.

While the government says it intends to pay, owners Akkerland Boerdery wanted 200 million rand (\$18.7 million) for the land — they're being offered just 20 million rand (\$1.87 million).

"Notice is hereby given that a terrain inspection will be held on the farms on April 5, 2018 at 10am in order to conduct an audit of the assets and a handover of the farm's keys to the state," a letter sent to the owners earlier this year said. Earlier this month, City Press reported the government had drawn up a list of 139 farms it planned to seize "to test out" section 25 of the constitution.

The newspaper said employees at the department had been ordered to press ahead with the process at the Land Claims Court. If the seizures go ahead, it would be the first time the state refuses to pay market value for land.

Since the end of apartheid in 1994, the ANC has followed a "willing seller, willing buyer" process to redistribute white-owned farms to blacks. A 2017 government audit found white people owned 72 per cent of private farmland in South Africa.

According to the 2011 census, there are about 4.6 million white people in South Africa, accounting for 8.9 per cent of the population. ANC spokesman Zizi Kodwa would not reveal details of the farms targeted and attempted to play down investor fears, saying the proposed seizures were "tied to addressing the injustices of the past".

"Over time I think the markets as well as investors will appreciate that what we are doing is creating policy certainty and creating the conditions for future investment," he told City Press. Afriforum, a civil-rights group representing the white Afrikaner minority, subsequently released what it claimed to be a leaked list of 190 farms "being circulated in the department", inviting farmers to check if they were on it and asking them to get in touch "so that we can pre-

pare for a joint legal strategy". Earlier this month, cattle farmer Jo-an Engelbrecht told the ABC's Foreign Correspondent his farm just outside Johannesburg was now "worth zero".

"We had several auctions in the last two or three weeks cancelled because there was no people interested in buying the land," he said. "Why would you buy a farm to know the government's going to take it?" (Courtesy https://www.news.com.au/finance/economy)

Related South Africa farm seizures BEGIN: Chaos as first expropriation of white-owned farms starts

SOUTH AFRICA's government has begun seizing land from white farmers, targeting two game farms in the northern province of Limpopo after talks with the owners to buy the properties collapsed.

Johannesburg-based newspaper City Press reported owners Akkerland Boerdery wanted 200 million rand (£16.7m) for the land, but that the country's government were willing to offer them just a tenth of that at 20 million rand (£1.67m).

A letter sent to the owners earlier this year had said: "Notice is hereby given that a terrain inspection will be held on the farms on April 5, 2018 at 10am in order to conduct an audit of the assets and a handover of the farm's keys to the state."

Akkerland Boerdery immediately took out an urgent injunction to prevent eviction until a court had ruled on the issue, but the Department of Rural Development and Land Affairs has refused the application.

Annelie Crosby, spokeswoman for the agricultural industry association AgriSA, told City Press: "What makes the Akkerland case unique is that they apparently were not given the opportunity to first dispute the claim in court, as the law requires."

ANC spokesman Zizi Kodwa refused to reveal details of the farms being targeted and has attempted to calm investor fears, adding the proposed seizures were "tied to addressing the

injustices of the past". South Africa farm seizures: Gwede Mantashe sparked panic among the farming community (Photo/GETTY) But the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform denied the list was real with spokeswoman Linda Page telling News24: "We don't know where they got this from. There is no truth in this document."

On Sunday, Afriforum CEO Ernest Roets confirmed that the two farms - Salaitna and Lukin - were the first two to be targeted. He said: "So the debate about the authenticity of the list is settled then?"

"We hope that the gravity of the state's plans for expropriation is understood and that people will see through the dishonesty of the Department of Land Reform and Rural Development."

"We hope that the attempts to discredit the legitimacy of the list has now been proven to be malicious for good. We shouldn't be misled by those who sing Kumbaya while the state is planning to expropriate property."

AgriSA had described Afriforum's release of the list as "irresponsible" and "inflammatory", saying " cursory background research showed" several inaccuracies, including that a number of the farms were joint ventures co-owned by black people.

On Sunday, Mr Roets tweeted that the two farms — Salaitna and Lukin — were the first two names on Afriforum's list. "So the debate about the authenticity of the list is settled then?" he said. "We hope that the gravity of the state's plans for expropriation is understood and that people will see through the dishonesty of the Department of Land Reform and Rural Development."

"We hope that the attempts to discredit the legitimacy of the list has now been proven to be malicious for good. We shouldn't be misled by those who sing Kumbaya while the state is planning to expropriate property."

AgriSA had described Afriforum's release of the list as "irresponsible" and "inflammatory", saying " cursory background research showed" several inaccuracies, including that a number of the farms were joint ventures co-owned by black people.



South Africa's white farmers have been desperately trying to sell their lands at record pace ahead of planned government land seizures, according to a local farmer's union. However, there are no buyers.

The government hit back, with department spokeswoman Linda Page telling News24 the list was a fake. "We don't know where they got it from," she said. "There is no truth in this document."

News24 editor-in-chief Adriaan Basson slammed Afriforum for "disgusting fear-mongering in the highest degree". "Will Afriforum take action against (deputy) CEO Ernest Roets for distributing fake news?" he tweeted. "Will they apologise? We need cool heads — not arsonists — in this debate."

On Sunday, Mr Roets tweeted that the two farms — Salaitna and Lukin — were the first two names on Afriforum's list. "So the debate about the authenticity of the list is settled then?" he said. "We hope that the gravity of the state's plans for expropriation is understood and that people will see through the dishonesty of the Department of Land Reform and Rural Development."

"We hope that the attempts to discredit the legitimacy of the list has now been proven to be malicious for good. We shouldn't be misled by those who sing Kumbaya while the state is planning to expropriate property."

AgriSA had described Afriforum's release of the list as "irresponsible" and "inflammatory", saying " cursory background research showed" several inaccuracies, including that a number of the farms were joint ventures co-owned by black people.

On Sunday, Mr Roets tweeted that the two farms — Salaitna and Lukin — were the first two names on Afriforum's list. "So the debate about the authenticity of the list is settled then?" he said. "We hope that the gravity of the state's plans for expropriation is understood and that people will see through the dishonesty of the Department of Land Reform and Rural Development."

"We hope that the attempts to discredit the legitimacy of the list has now been proven to be malicious for good. We shouldn't be misled by those who sing Kumbaya while the state is planning to expropriate property."

AgriSA had described Afriforum's release of the list as "irresponsible" and "inflammatory", saying " cursory background research showed" several inaccuracies, including that a number of the farms were joint ventures co-owned by black people.

On Sunday, Mr Roets tweeted that the two farms — Salaitna and Lukin — were the first two names on Afriforum's list. "So the debate about the authenticity of the list is settled then?" he said. "We hope that the gravity of the state's plans for expropriation is understood and that people will see through the dishonesty of the Department of Land Reform and Rural Development."

"We hope that the attempts to discredit the legitimacy of the list has now been proven to be malicious for good. We shouldn't be misled by those who sing Kumbaya while the state is planning to expropriate property."

AgriSA had described Afriforum's release of the list as "irresponsible" and "inflammatory", saying " cursory background research showed" several inaccuracies, including that a number of the farms were joint ventures co-owned by black people.

On Sunday, Mr Roets tweeted that the two farms — Salaitna and Lukin — were the first two names on Afriforum's list. "So the debate about the authenticity of the list is settled then?" he said. "We hope that the gravity of the state's plans for expropriation is understood and that people will see through the dishonesty of the Department of Land Reform and Rural Development."

"We hope that the attempts to discredit the legitimacy of the list has now been proven to be malicious for good. We shouldn't be misled by those who sing Kumbaya while the state is planning to expropriate property."

AgriSA had described Afriforum's release of the list as "irresponsible" and "inflammatory", saying " cursory background research showed" several inaccuracies, including that a number of the farms were joint ventures co-owned by black people.

On Sunday, Mr Roets tweeted that the two farms — Salaitna and Lukin — were the first two names on Afriforum's list. "So the debate about the authenticity of the list is settled then?" he said. "We hope that the gravity of the state's plans for expropriation is understood and that people will see through the dishonesty of the Department of Land Reform and Rural Development."

"We hope that the attempts to discredit the legitimacy of the list has now been proven to be malicious for good. We shouldn't be misled by those who sing Kumbaya while the state is planning to expropriate property."

AgriSA had described Afriforum's release of the list as "irresponsible" and "inflammatory", saying " cursory background research showed" several inaccuracies, including that a number of the farms were joint ventures co-owned by black people.

On Sunday, Mr Roets tweeted that the two farms — Salaitna and Lukin — were the first two names on Afriforum's list. "So the debate about the authenticity of the list is settled then?" he said. "We hope that the gravity of the state's plans for expropriation is understood and that people will see through the dishonesty of the Department of Land Reform and Rural Development."

"We hope that the attempts to discredit the legitimacy of the list has now been proven to be malicious for good. We shouldn't be misled by those who sing Kumbaya while the state is planning to expropriate property."

AgriSA had described Afriforum's release of the list as "irresponsible" and "inflammatory", saying " cursory background research showed" several inaccuracies, including that a number of the farms were joint ventures co-owned by black people.

On Sunday, Mr Roets tweeted that the two farms — Salaitna and Lukin — were the first two names on Afriforum's list. "So the debate about the authenticity of the list is settled then?" he said. "We hope that the gravity of the state's plans for expropriation is understood and that people will see through the dishonesty of the Department of Land Reform and Rural Development."

"We hope that the attempts to discredit the legitimacy of the list has now been proven to be malicious for good. We shouldn't be misled by those who sing Kumbaya while the state is planning to expropriate property."

injustices of the past".



South Africa farm seizures: Gwede Mantashe sparked panic among the farming community (Photo/GETTY) But the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform denied the list was real with spokeswoman Linda Page telling News24: "We don't know where they got this from. There is no truth in this document."

On Sunday, Afriforum CEO Ernest Roets confirmed that the two farms - Salaitna and Lukin - were the first two to be targeted. He said: "So the debate about the authenticity of the list is settled then?"

"We hope that the gravity of the state's plans for expropriation is understood and that people will see through the dishonesty of the Department of Land Reform and Rural Development."

"We hope that the attempts to discredit the legitimacy of the list has now been proven to be malicious for good. We shouldn't be misled by those who sing Kumbaya while the state is planning to expropriate property."

He told City Press: "Over time I think the markets as well as investors will appreciate that what we are doing is creating policy certainty and creating the conditions for future investment."

Tensions among South Africa's white farming community has been escalating since the election of Cyril Ramaphosa as President earlier this year, who committed his African National Congress (ANC) to land expropriation.

Last week, ANC chairman Gwede Mantashe sparked panic among the farming community when he said: "You shouldn't own more than 25,000 acres of land."

"Therefore, if you own more it should be taken without compensation. "People who are privileged never give away privilege as a matter of a gift."

"And that is why we say, to give you the tools, revisit the constitution so that you have a legal tool to do it."

A record number of white South African farmers have put their land up for sale amid fears the ruling party is considering confiscating properties bigger than 25,000 acres.

The government was accused of drawing up a list of almost 200 farms it allegedly wants to seize from white farmers, with Afriforum, a civil rights group representing the white Afrikaner minority, adding the document was being circulated by ministers as the ruling powers prepare to implement the policy.

It invited farmers to check if they were on it and urged them to make contact "so we can prepare a joint legal strategy". (Courtesy https://www.express.co.uk/news/world)



The seizures are intended to test the ability of the government to take land under existing laws, which the ruling African National Congress has previously stated is allowable if "in the public interest".

The South African government has begun the process of seizing land from white farmers. Local newspaper City Press reports two game farms in the northern province of Limpopo are

Etoile Academy Charter School advertisement with logo and contact info.

Double Star Academy advertisement with logo and course details.

啓達梁皇寶懺法會通告 advertisement with text and image of a lotus flower.

智勝學院 ADVANCE ACADEMY advertisement with course details and contact info.

陳納德將軍飛虎隊飛行學院 advertisement with image of a plane and contact info.

瀚歲文藝學校 advertisement with logo and course details.