

## COMMISSION OF ENQUIRY

## Into events which occurred in Western Kingston and related areas in May 2010

Submitted by Collette Robinson in response to Adverse Comments

"The Commission of Enquiry into the events which occurred in Western Kingston and related areas in May 2010" has decided based on my testimony and participation in the CoE to make what it calls "adverse comments" against me. Essentially, the claim is that I "was evasive under cross examination." My "demeanour" showed a "lack of candour under cross-examination" and consequently there is "concern" about my "truthfulness".

Apart from paragraph (8.16) containing the "adverse comments" I have not been provided with any further discussion or analysis of what was the essence of my testimony and the basis for the categorization of my testimony as untruthful.

Since no broader reasoning has been provided my immediate reaction to these "adverse comments" is to describe them as being subjective and misguided. This unfounded conclusion about my truthfulness reeks of a pro-security forces bias rather than being objective and balanced, as is required under the Commission of Enquiry Act.

What other motive could the Commission have had for questioning my truthfulness other than to down play the fact that I was most likely shot by a JDF sniper on top of a building with the requisite vantage point? Unless of course the Commissioners were easily and deliberately swayed by the clever tactics used by well paid lawyers representing the security forces versus the fact that Tivoli residents for the most part had no lawyers to represent them. In the face of these tactics not even the Chairman had the courage or the intuition to intervene to bring balance to the proceedings.

Had the Commissioners chosen they could have paid a special visit to see the location where I was shot and gain an understanding of where the sniper who shot me was most likely placed.

Indeed, on what basis does the Commission seek to question my assertion that I received no compensation for damage to my property and the security forces theft of money found in my house?

Given the biased way in which this Enquiry was conducted I am not surprised by the "adverse comments". It is what a lot of us expected. But we shall continue the struggle for justice nonetheless.

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