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### **BlackSDA \_ 3ABN \_ Asi And Resolution.**

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**Posted by: Observer Dec 10 2006, 06:45 AM**

It has been published a number of times that ASI is considering whether or not to attempt to find some kind of resolution to what I call this 3-ABN mess. Numerous comments have been made regarding this in this forum, and in others. So, I thought that I would start this thread so that the comments that will continue to come could be made in one place.

My personal position is that that during this process, the discussions must be conducted in private, and outside of publicity. Once some decisions have been made, public announcements may be made, and posted here and elsewhere.

Because I believe that privacy is essential at this time, I am not going to post specifics.

However, I do believe that there are general comments that may be made, and may be helpful to be posted at this time. So, I will do that.

As a first post, I will make some comments on what is involved if an outside party (ASI, the SDA Church, or any other non-civil organization) is to effect a resolution either in whole, or in part. Most, if not all, will be simple common sense.

As a first stage in this, the respective parties, in my opinion must agree on two major points:

A. Do the respective parties agree that they will allow another party to mediate a resolution to their issues?

Outside of the civil realm, none of the parties to these issues can be forced into an attempt to resolve the issues. 3-ABN is an independent organization. It is not tied to any other organization in a manner that would force it to do anything. The other parties are all individuals. None of them can be forced into an attempted resolution against their wills. In short, resolution may only be achieved between parties who agree to attempts to resolve issues.

Yes, it is true that if any issues enter the civil realm, which it appears has already happened, some parties may be forced to comply with orders from the judicial system.

B. Do the respective parties agree on the process by which this attempt to mediate a resolution will take place?

All parties to this mess must agree on the process by which it takes place. This is much more involved in simply determining that it is fair. This process cannot be imposed upon the parties by an outside agency. Without this agreement on the process, parties will refuse to be involved, and resolution will not take place. In my personal opinion, there are three (3) aspects upon which the parties must agree:

1) They must agree upon the issues to be considered for resolution.

As this mess has developed, multiple issues and people have become involved. In the minds of many people, it is no longer a case of the marital issues between Danny and Linda, a divorce, and a remarriage. In fact, some believe that those are minor compared to other issues. Some believe that some of the issues can only be resolved with fairness to all involved, in the civil realm. So, the issue now becomes: What can be considered by any body that attempts to resolve issues?

With multiple people involved, it can be expected that there are various thoughts as to what is appropriate. But, some agreement must take place before the attempt to resolve begins. If some issues are not addressed by a group that is attempting to resolve issues, what is to be done in regard to the issues that remain? That is where the second aspect becomes a factor.

2) They must agree upon the goal of this process.

Here are some of the potential goals:

Make a statement of findings of facts.

Make a recommendation for action in regard to specific facts.

Make a decision that is binding on all parties: Folks that can only work if the body has the authority to enforce the binding decision. Some believe that there are decisions that need to be made that can only be enforced by civil authorities.

Make a statement that the respective parties are free to pursue their concerns in the civil realm as that is the proper realm to take such issues, and this body does not have the ability to resolve such issues. Folks, civil governments are established by God. They have their proper realm. It is not a violation of Biblical standards to take to civil government issues that lie in their realm. One such issue would be a criminal issue. Another might be issues involving taxation, and the public accounting that is required by a 501c organization. There are certainly other such issues.

If the respective parties do not agree on the aim of the attempted resolution, none such can take place.

3) They must agree on the process by which this attempt at resolution takes place.

Of course, the process must be fair to all parties, and it must have the appearance of fairness. All must be satisfied that they will be treated in fairness.

There must be agreement as to what will be released about the process, and the decisions made, to the public. Will some information be kept private? Yes, it may be appropriate to keep some information private. If Gloria X testifies that Sam Y had inappropriate sexual contact with her, should Gloria's name be published, along with the details for the world to see?

It has been said in a post made by another that it appears that this process is developing along the lines of a legal process. O.K. There may be some value in this approach. Yet, it may be that a strictly legal process may not be appropriate for this situation. Some aspects of a legal approach may only be appropriate in a civil venue?

Folks, I have been speaking in general terms. In this third aspect the discussions must take place with much specificity. Much is at stake. The decisions made in these aspects are critical to any end result of resolution. These critical discussions will probably require some time for the respective parties to come to agreement.

It may be that no agreement can be achieved? If that is the case, the only avenue left is the civil one.

Where am I in all of this? Do I think that anything can be accomplished? Again, at this point in time, I must speak in generalities, and I cannot be specific in this public statement.

I believe, in theory, that an outside investigative body can be helpful, and bring about some resolution of the issues. I believe that this can be done in a manner that is fair to all involved parties, and to the public at large. Whether or not this will happen, I do not know.

I will simply tell you, as I have done in the past: Honest, and sincere people, from more than one side of these issues, and people who are independent of the issues, are working very hard to

come to an agreement. As individuals, they do not agree on every point. But, they are attempting to come to some sort of a common agreement that will be helpful.

If they can achieve this, then the next step will be for the process to take place.

Following that, there must be some sort of a public statement.

At this point in time, what is happening must take place behind closed doors.

NOTE: I have posted in general terms, and I have not revealed anything confidential.

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This is, IMO, only one of many possible negative scenarios which make the whole idea of having ASI conduct any kind of "hearing" an extremely poor idea.

Fortunately there is little to suggest that any of the parties involved actually want to have this happen. And I think if we read between the lines on Gregory's explanatory post we can see this unlikelyhood very clearly.

As he said... the issues which involve illegal activities can only be settled by a court of law. The issues which involve immoral actions have been sufficiently exposed in public... and even more thoroughly to church officials.... and it is only the church itself which can act to 1) give the appropriate church disciplinary action, and 2) to cut all church ties with 3AN, and 3) to give public notice that this is true and warn other church entities that they will be in danger of church discipline themselves if they persist in promoting or funding 3AN... either directly by donations or buying airtime, or indirectly by allowing Danny to continue to use church facilities for his "rallies".

There is a significant amount of evidence that in fact, church leaders and entities ARE making some moves in this latter action, but it is being done much too quietly for all victims or potential victims to be aware of their activities. There is also evidence that the reason for not moving more forcefully or

publicly is that there are tremendous political pressures and/or fears, such that those who make such decisions are afraid for their future in Adventist leadership were they to come out more openly and state their positions.

That being the case, there needs to be continued efforts to warn the public so as to create a wave of public opinion strong enough to nullify those pressures and fears and untie the hands of those who could put pen to paper and send out public communiques which would in turn strengthen the hands of local entities who would be willing to act locally if they only had permission from their superiors.

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Observer is exactly correct on this one. That's been the delay.

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But, if this is true, this does not mean that nothing helpful can be accomplished by this proposed process. Again, the critical element will be: Will the respective parties agree?

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**Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered Dec 11 2006, 02:50 PM**

Calvin,

It's good to see you expressing your opinion and I'm so thankful that you have allowed this area of BSDA so that we can express ours as it relates to 3abn topics.

I hear what you are saying regarding chalking some things up to experience. There are things in my own life that have been bitter to swallow but I know eventually I will be vindicated. As far as 3abn goes, some issues will have to wait until Heaven for resolution - other issues just might get handled before then. We'll see how it all plays out.

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If we ignore the Linda issue, there are at least two other major issues, one being the Tommy Shelton allegations, that the board never investigated themselves. So if ASI investigated them, that would be the first time they got investigated.

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Yes, I agree! She deserves much more.

I hear so much about the marriage. That is what Danny wants so people will forget about all the other major problems.

To Everyone;

**FOLLOW THE**  
**MONEY!**

There is where the answers are. I am starting to be very concerned for the safety of people at 3ABN. It is becoming very clear that Danny has some very real issues. Danny is not going to be a fall guy. He will find someone to go down for him or he will loose it and blame it all on someone else and may cause harm to that person. It has become clear to me that Danny is not balanced in his thoughts.

I am reading a book titled, "*Why Does He Do That?*" by Lundy Bancroft. It is a wonderful read! I think every woman/man should read this book, whether she/he has been abused or not, to become acquainted with how an abuser thinks. It is a real eye opener. From Danny's emails I believe Linda was abused in several ways.

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**Posted by: roxe Dec 12 2006, 10:42 PM**

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from what I've read here, since Molly and ET have Danny convinced that he is a prophet and everything he thinks, dreams, says and does is straight from God, he is opening himself wide for satan to take control... except it would be almost impossible to convince Danny of that, since satan knows how to make people think that it REALLY is God.

Danny needs strong intercessory prayer for the Holy Spirit to remove satan's hold on him, surround him with holy angels, open his eyes to what is really happening to him, put a strong desire for repentance and new birth, and to turn his life and this entire mess over to God to straighten up to His glory.

wonder what would happen if all of us reading these threads would pick one day a week to fast and pray for this...

where is the Lord God of Elijah?

let's start asking Him for Danny's soul... to mend this broken person.

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