EFF 'killing' banner causes outrage News24/Sapa 14 October 2013

Cape Town – Social media buzzed on Monday over a picture of a banner allegedly shown at the Economic Freedom Fighter (EFF) launch in Marikana.

A picture showing a red banner with the words "A revolutionary must become a cold killing machine motivated by pure hate" was quickly shared on various social networks on Monday.

Another picture shows a banner saying "Honeymoon is over for white people in South Africa".

"I also saw 'we need to kill them like they killed us' banners yesterday," User Qaanitah Hunter said in a Tweet.

"I'm not aware of that banner," EFF's national spokesperson Mbuyiseni Ndlozi told News24. "It's not official".

Cameron Modisane, an EFF supporter who posted numerous pictures of the launch on his Twitter profile, also responded to some of the outrage on Twitter. He said the banner was created and paid for by the Katlehong branch members.

"This is not to advocate for killing of people but rather equality," he said. "Our greatest enemy within EFF is white monopoly capital."

Hundreds of people gathered in Marikana, North West for the launch of Julius Malema's EFF party on Sunday.

Malema, once an outspoken supporter of Zuma and a former president of the ANC Youth League, formed the party after being expelled from the ANC.

According to its constitution, the EFF is a radical, left-wing, anti-capitalist, and anti-imperialist movement.

The party claims it provides clear and cogent alternatives to post-colonial economic systems, which in many countries had kept the oppressed under colonial domination.

The party advocates the expropriation of South Africa's land without compensation, and the nationalisation of mines, banks, and other strategic sectors of the economy.