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A VOLUNTARY parliamentary lobby group, African Parliamentarians against Corruption (APNAC), yesterday said the incoming legislators should be made to declare their assets before taking oath of office to curb illegal accumulation of wealth.

### REPORT BY VENERANDA LANGA

Both MDC-T and Zanu PF officials of the organisation yesterday agreed the move was critical and even suggested it be extended to Cabinet ministers.

APNAC Zimbabwe chapter chairman, who is also MDC-T MP-elect for Kambuzuma, Willias Madzimore, told NewsDay the Seventh Parliament Standing Rules and Orders Committee (SROC) had agreed on a code of conduct for the declaration of assets and it was now time to implement it.

"The SROC had already agreed on a code of conduct which actually calls upon all members – on being sworn in – to declare their assets, and according to how APNAC sees things now, the newly elected MPs should be compelled to fill in asset declaration forms on swearing-in day," said Madzimore.

APNAC secretary general, who is also Zanu PF MP elect for Mwenezi East, Kudakwashe Bhasikiti, said the declaration of assets should also be enforced on Cabinet ministers as well as senior civil servants who will be appointed into key posts.

"It is actually a requirement for all government employees to declare their assets. Last year we had MPs and members of the Executive who declared their assets and that is why we are urging the newly elected to follow suit," he said.

Bhasikiti said one of the aims of APNAC would be to push for a Statutory Instrument to compel civil servants to declare assets.

Madzimore said: "APNAC feels whoever has been elected into power should now prove they acquired their assets in a clean manner so that whenever they accumulate wealth during their tenure in office, people know it is corruption-free."

He said there were a lot of new legislators who would be joining Parliament and APNAC would hold induction workshops to ensure they understood the importance of fighting corruption.

"The Anti-Corruption Commission has been under siege and there is a lot APNAC needs to do with newly elected MPs to fight corruption," he said.

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**zimbabwean** August 9, 2013 at 10:30 am #

Yes please. So far we have the 100 or so properties corruptly obtained by Ignatius Chombo

We want to know more so we can just shout about them then have nothing done by our incorruptible, perfect and clean government

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**Tendai Chaminuka** August 9, 2013 at 10:34 am #

Every progressive Zimbo should support such a noble idea.

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**psychoanalyst** August 9, 2013 at 12:28 pm #

Sir Lancelot et tu standakimbo  
am bazy so will check all mail after 1600.

but look, go slow with some of these hilarious thoughts of you two since they have potential to precipitate a permanent curvature of the spine!!! or that other...

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**Gumbo** August 9, 2013 at 1:04 pm #

This is great thinking. Once our leaders are monitored and corruption is dealt with at those levels, it's easier to deal with it at lower levels!

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August 9, 2013 at 2:56 pm #



**Ndawi**

-hope this will be followed mbavha taneta nadzo this time save the nation please being rich munhu mumwe the rest of Zimbabweans living like squaters eg Hopely and Epworths that must be looked at .

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