

A sample of Van Coller quotes in the media

Only a “few people”

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7 July 2021	Business Maverick	"van Coller said it would not make sense to "paint EOH's more than 6,500 workers with the same brush because a few people were corrupt", adding that most of those involved in graft had been dealt with."
6 July 2021	Daily Maverick	"van Coller emphasises that "businesses aren't corrupt; people are. EOH the legal entity was not corrupt; it was those people."
6 July 2021	Biznews	"a few people five years ago were corrupt, doesn't mean all 6,500 people are corrupt."
23 November 2020	Business Maverick	"few rogue employees can make such a difference in people's lives. The problem is they take the money and run off and maybe this is a problem with capitalism or the way corporate structure works."
25 May 2021	Business Maverick	"[van Coller] repeatedly told media and investors that the rot was largely restricted to eight individuals and a small set of companies."
21 May 2021	Biznews	"two contracts where the old management over invoiced."
29 January 2021	Biznews	"five of the eight problematic legacy public sector contracts had been settled"
4 November 2019	Business Day	"corrupt activities of a few people to taint an entire business or a country"

17 October 2019	Business Day	"It appears that there were two kingpins inside EOH who were behind most of the fraud that took place, along with a "small group of their direct reports".
17 October 2019	Business Day article 2	"The thing that disappoints me is there are still a few people out there who want to taint 11,000 people with what 16 people did."
17 October 2019	Business Day article 2	"We're entrenched in a lot of their businesses. And also the staff genuinely enjoy working at EOH. It's an interesting, agile, innovative organisation, so they want to be there. It's difficult when there's a bad smell."
1 August 2019	Financial Mail	"You've got people who [engaged in wrongdoing], people who were directors who didn't do [anything wrong] and nondirectors, but senior managers who knew [what was going on] but didn't do [anything]."
28 August 2019	Business Day	"implicating a small group of employees..."
21 July 2019	Business Times	"The good news it that is was quite localised and involved only eight people out of 11,000 [employees]"
17 July 2019	Biznews	"about eight" people had been involved in a "suspicious transaction".
16 July 2019	Business Day	"Van Coller said that the executives were not implicated in the wrongdoing."
		"He said that, like former finance minister Nhlanhla Nene stepping down from that role, it wasn't done because they were implicated in any wrongdoing, but because they were in charge while the wrongdoing took place."
		" "They should be applauded for their amazing leadership," he said."
16 July 2019	Biznews	"Stephen van Coller announced that an internal probe had revealed that about eight people

		<i>... involved one legal entity out of 270... many of the contracts have run out...directors were not implicated in corruption..."</i>
25 February 2019	Biznews	"allegations and investigations are isolated to a few people and largely in a public sector business unit in EOH. The implicated division represents less than 12% of EOH's total turnover. We have either suspended or received resignations from involved employees, resulting in none of the employees currently implicated remaining in the business."
25 February 2019	Business Day	"We have either suspended or received resignations from involved employees, resulting in none of the employees currently implicated remaining in the business," EOH CEO Stephen van Coller... "[ENS] ...investigate its public-sector contracts, and has identified fewer than six deemed necessary for detailed review..."