

Bitter heart

HAS THE Commander-in-Chief's Trinidadian hagiographer met his match in Mail & Guardian Editor Ferial Haffajee, to whom he addressed a particularly nasty personal SMS? It triggered a vigorous exchange on the Thought Leader blog, in which she writes: "He is a peddler of lies and of tiny bits of gossip, usually incorrect, gleaned from coffee-shop chit-chat. Many might be impressed by his turn of phrase, but you'll soon tire of it; there is nothing beyond the bitter heart; little but inane point-scoring; personal puffery rather than a clever take on society." Eina!

Read, rage, respond on Hogarth's blog at <http://blogs.thetimes.co.za/hogarth/>