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Bad Enough Without The Photo

THANK you for your services and for "still telling it like it is", despite some people who only like you doing that when it is in their favour. But today's front page (Wednesday January 30) is beyond the limits of what we need to know. In other words: the picture on today's front page is below your level of journalism and nears your paper to the low level *The Windhoek Observer*, which I stopped buying when it published the picture of the French children that were murdered on the Caprivi-Highway some years ago.

If I read in an article that a young man killed his grandmother for N\$500 in

cash than this is bad enough. If I then have to read that he used an axe, it is more than enough. How should my level of information be enhanced by seeing the picture? Instead I would rather like to know how a person can go so far, better: how can a young person lose his human and social values to such an extent? What do the neighbours and relatives say? How do they think that they (and us) can prevent such gruesome crimes in future? Why are these kinds of crimes so much increasing nowadays? How did people deal with them traditionally? etc. It is this kind of question I would rather be

interested in than seeing a dead *kuku* with an axe in her head. Peace to her soul. I am also concerned about the feelings of the family of the victim and the culprit not to mention all the other people like desperate youngsters who see this picture. Why do they need to be exposed to such atrocities? Do you expect to sell more newspapers when they have such pictures on the front page? Please keep the quality level we are used to from your paper and leave the cheap and sensationalist journalism to people who don't know better.

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Explain This Disgusting Photo