

A military camp

NAMIBIA has turned into a military camp because the SA regime are building up the military in our country. Namibians are conscripted into the socalled SWATF to fight against their brothers and sisters. The SADF uses our country as a springboard for attacks on our neighbouring states. IN northern Namibia the SADF and Koevoet units are committing atrocities against innocent civilians in various ways.

The Botha regime are not ready to sign a ceasefire with Swapo to bring about peace, democracy and economic stability in southern Africa. The Botha government also wants to topple the MPLA in Angola and install the Unita puppets, as they have done in Namibia.

Inhuman and draconian laws have been forced on the people of this country; particularly the oppressed black majority: I refer to the curfew regulations in northern Namibia; the checkpoint at Oshivello where blacks are ill-treated by the notorious Koevoet; refusal of passports to progressive leaders; Proclamations AG 26, 9 and Section 6 of the Terrorism Act in terms of which police have virtually unlimited powers.

The SA government is also engaged in the indoctrination of Namibians: organisations like Etango, Ezuva, Namwi Foundation and Ichthus are there to mislead, confuse and distort the truth of the liberation struggle. Etango, the so-called religious/cultural group rules with the Bible and the gun. Has no-one told these organisations that Namibians are not communists: they are oppressed instead by those who brought the Word of God to Africa. The oppressors also infiltrate black schools by means of involvement in sport, and cadets.

Recently, two *makakunyas* from 101 and 202 Battalions respectively, spoke of discrimination within the so-called SWATF; said they were forced to fight on the side of Unita in Angolan territory; and resignations have started because they are not ready to fight their brothers who want to liberate the country from the Botha regime. It is a lesson for us to reject and condemn conscription and instead call for the withdrawal of the SADF from Namibian territory.

The recent invasion of the SADF into Angola: the SADF is the obstacle to peace in southern Africa. They are destabilising the Angolan economy, and both the SADF and Reagan Administration supply the Unita bandits with Stinger missiles, sophisticated armaments. The aggressor should stop fighting for Unita and instead withdraw its troops from Angolan soil and go home.

A Resolution was adopted in the UN calling on the SADF's withdrawal from Angola. The SA representative responded that they would not withdraw unless foreign troops were withdrawn from Angola. This is unacceptable and stubborn because the MPLA Government has never declared war against South Africa; Fapla troops have never attacked or occupied SA territory; Angola is a sovereign country which has the right to choose its own friends.

Namibians should unite; both black and white, and raise their voices in protest against the SA regime. Enough is enough. We want to taste the fruits of peace, nationhood, national unity, human dignity and justice.

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