

On role of Koevoet

LET me complain about the atrocities allegedly committed by Koevoet or SADF. On Monday 18.7.88 at midday, at least six Casspirs allegedly appeared at Oshandi village in Eenhana vicinity. Mrs Lucia Muleka (56), wife of later deceased Nghipityoova at Oshandi, was on her way to fetch water from a nearby well when one of those Casspirs ran over her.

Without telling anybody, they (Koevoet) picked her up and put her in their vehicle then they drove back, westwards of the village. When the family of Mrs Muleka waited for some information of whereabouts of their person, they did not hear anything about her until on 26.7.88. On Wednesday, 27.7.88, the family members started inquiring about her in all hospitals and later suddenly they found her corpse in Oshakati State Hospital's mortuary. No more information had been received at the time of writing this letter.

The same had happened when on Sunday 24.7.88 at 17h15 (5h15) seven Casspirs (wolf) and one Buffel allegedly appeared at Oheti village, the neighbouring village of Oshandi. They came to certain cuca-shops inquiring on the whereabouts of two plan combatants who 'had been reported found' in the same area. When those who were shopping at those cuca-shops answered that they did not see those men, the Koevoet men started beating people with butts and fists, kicking everyone who was shopping; and it didn't matter if it was a very aged man or woman.

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Several other assaults committed by Koevoet were reported in the same two villages (Oshandi and Ohedi). On Monday 25.7.88 they beat Mr Nakale Levi, a school teacher at Malangu Primary School (Oshandi) while he was busy lecturing. He was badly injured and left senseless lying on the ground.

Koevoet also steal from shops without payment but fortunately, the nation's eyes are open.

Most of the atrocities are committed by the black soldiers while often white soldiers sit in vehicles, looking at and laughing when black soldiers beat their own people. Therefore, I would like to say especially to black soldiers to take note and respond to the following facts:

- it is not the time to commit atrocities to your own people;
- remember that those people against whom you discriminate will remain your own people, your fathers, mothers, brother and sisters;
- there will no day when white soldiers will truly love you black Koevoet;
- it is time for you to throw away your uniforms;
- leave the SA regime and let us unite together in protest against SA regime to taste the fruits of peace, nationhood, national unity, human dignity and justice.

To my beloved Namibians, I would like to say to be silent is a crime, so let us raise up our voices about whatever they do to us.

Then let us call for Resolution 435 to be implemented right now!

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