

Loss Of Life Is Painful For Both Rich And Poor

ALLOW me to express my view on the recent attack on America. Like many others in the world I was surprised and shocked by the news. Nations around the world have already gone through such painful experiences.

America is well known for supporting state terrorism and for its mass killing of other nations. As a growing African child I could not help notice the nightmares of war. I have seen a lot - from Vietnam to Nicaragua. The USA was a major supporter of the apartheid South African government, which killed, burned to death and buried alive my people. No single message of condolence was sent from America; instead they went on calling us terrorists.

I don't support terrorism, but we should not forget that Washington regards some groups of people fighting for their

fundamental rights or freedoms as terrorists. Once they called our President, Sam Nujoma, who is now ruling a peaceful country, a terrorist.

The word terrorist became the right term to call any person or organisation determined to resist or retaliate against atrocities committed by the world. If the Americans really want peace in the Middle East, why don't they withdraw all their troops and go home? All America is doing in the Middle East is oil exploitation, creating confusion and hatred among the Arabs and Muslims.

Yes, you are a free society. Don't you think that freedom is needed in all parts of the world? I think it is high time for the Americans to learn from their many, many mistakes and find a better solution to problems between themselves and the Arab world. When I look at New York today, it cannot be compared to Beirut in the 80s where almost every building was brought down and many families perished or displaced. America supported Israel's aim to kill and eliminate all people in Lebanon. What did they achieve? They supplied both Iraq, Iran with weapons to kill each other,

killed innocent Libyans, Iraqis, failed in Somalia and next, it will be Afghanistan.

The collapse of the Twin Towers in New York has a bad impact on world's economy for those who currently benefit from it. The fact is that New York Stock Exchange does not benefit men in the mountains who equally deserve to live in a civilized free society in countries their own like anyone else in the world. The value of freedom and peace is much more important to us than the value of money.

If the American Dollar becomes useless on the market Angola will probably be happy because it will use its currency properly again, the Kwanza has lost marked value due to criminals trading and using US dollars on the black market.

My advice to Americans is that they refrain from a military solution and think first before striking a poor nation. Today we have learned a lesson how the loss of human life is equally painful for the rich, poor, strong or weak. I sympathise with those who lost their family members and loved ones.

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