

Proper Conduct In House, Please

I WAS shocked to learn that people entrusted by the Namibian nation, men and women, to represent them at policy level could engage themselves in senseless and pointless arguments in our august House.

I am referring to the arguments of two of our women representatives on June 5 2000 during a National Assembly debate. This absurd and horrific behaviour by our parliamentarians is an insult to the Namibian people and to taxpayers in particular.

Apparently this has grown out of personal vendetta with little or nothing to do with the debate. Meanwhile, the public out there expects useful and fruitful deliberations from their representatives.

What are they going to deliver to the people they represent, if they have anything to deliver at all? To add insult to injury they are both from the country's most troubled hot spot where people, or their constituencies, are in dire need of peace and tranquillity.

The political parties need to educate their representatives in order to inculcate proper conduct in the legislative houses. Not only proper conduct, but should also take disciplinary actions against any member who brings shame and embarrassment to his or her political party and to the nation as a whole.

It is a waste of time and money.

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