'A Bold & Important Step'

FIRST and foremost, I would like to congratulate Ben Ulenga, the son of this soil, and his colleagues on the establishment of the new party in Namibia namely the Congress of Democrats.

That is a very bold step that you have taken to come out and help us get an alternative to the ruling party and opposition party. I am sure that changes are now imminent with the birth of this party. The leaders of today were getting complacent and wanted to cling to power forever. They are not doing what they are supposed to do. Instead they are enriching themselves.

One could say that feathers have been ruffled by the new party from the reaction that comes from those diehards. Swapo followers who do not want to see any change taking place in this country. I want to appeal to my fellow countrymen and women to stand behind the new party and support Ben Ulenga in order to bring change in this country.

I want people form all walks of life in this country to go to the polls and vote for the Congress of Democrats in their thousands so that change for the betterment of our people is brought about, that our brothers and sons fighting in foreign countries for individual interests are brought back home and that the supreme law of this country is upheld and not changed for the appearement of one individual who is getting more power hungry by the day.

I want to encourage Ben Ulenga to work very, very hard especially in regions where Swapo thought that there would not be anybody to get those electorates from them. Let the Party ap-

point powerful and hardworking and ambitious regional representatives to work in those areas and make people understand the aims and objectives of this noble party.

The Party needs to have representatives that are courageous and not intimidated by the security agents who seem to have nothing to do but spend the taxpayers' money. I want all leaders of this party not to be intimidated by slanderous attacks and personality assassinations that are inherent in Swapo diehards who consider anybody with a different idea as being unpatriotic, reactionary, a spy or as having foreigners behind them. Let the Party grow from strength to strength and let us join in our thousands to show these diehards that there is no season without an end.

Let us inform the electorate about the party and make them understand the party's aspirations and what it stands for.

Finally, I would like to assure Mr Ben Ulenga and all sons and daughters of this land who brought up this noble brilliant idea of a new party that we stand right behind you and we will support you all the way.

As our old folks used to say: "Wa lya shakakodi tala pombada!!"
(If you have taken food from the goshawk, you had better watch
the skies!)

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