



water which is our own natural resource? We want the water at Eenhana to be controlled by the Department of Water Affairs rather than the SADF.

Residents in particular suffer daily at the hands of the so-called protectors whenever they approach them for water. Sometimes people are sent home with empty buckets. One wonders how people manage to prepare food and what they drink under the circumstances.

Seemingly only the civilians are refused water but it is freely given to Koevoet and the SADF members. You see people queueing for water here.

In conclusion, I would like to request the SADF to vacate the water reservoir at Eenhana and allow it to be taken over by the Department of Water Affairs.

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'Security' meetings

PLEASE allow me a space in the people's newspaper to highlight to both The Namibian and the Namibian people at large, the discriminatory practices applied here in the Caprivi Administration.

I was shocked by the wrongful warning by the Secretary of the Caprivi Administration to black officials of that representative authority. They (the whites) usually attend what is termed a 'security' meeting,

apparently aimed at the furtherance of National Party policies, on a monthly basis. No black man attends these meetings.

Presently the situation in Caprivi allows for taxation of Caprivians and not whites as the latter claim that Act 2 of 1974 is applicable to Caprivians only. The SA Government has done nothing to repeal this legislation.

Caprivian officials pay one per cent of their income (monthly), in addition to the general tax payable to the Receiver of Revenue. A surprising fact is that there are no income tax returns handed to tax payers as is habitual with the Receiver of Revenue. It is disturbing too, to find that the following people do not pay this (one percent) tax: all Caprivians employed by other government departments and/or private institutions; all whites and non-Caprivi-ans employed by the Administration; all tribal indunas; general dealers and traders in the area.

I wish to call on progressive Caprivi Administration officials to reject this uncalled-for tax. This act of the colonisers should be viewed seriously and the nominated Executive Committee abolished with immediate effect. It has failed to satisfy the wishes of the people as it is only dancing to the tune of its masters (the whites). How can they allow Caprivians to be milked by these people?

This legislation should be tested in a court of law.

In addition the whites in the area are presently trying to separate Caprivi from the rest of progressive Namibia. The suffering of Caprivi is largely due to the fact that the area is used as a dumping ground for whites who have failed to make the grade elsewhere.

Lastly I want to call on the intelligentsia in the region to mobilise people for independence. No other region in Namibia has a 'white godfather' like in Caprivi. Come, one and all, let us stand together and fight the colonialists.

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