

Reply to Kavari

ALLOW me to comment on the letter which appeared in The Namibian of August 05, under the heading "Fallacious" written by V T Kavari.

I've been present at the Nanso congresses since 1986 (second congress) up to this year with the fourth congress, where I've experienced a spirit of brotherhood.

What I have observed is that after a speaker has delivered a speech, opportunity was given to the house for discussion, questions, correction, addition, clarification, comment, etc.

I believe this was done so that with the departure of the congress no comrades could go to their respective places with unsolved problems as it appears to be in your case.

I'm just wondering whether you never got the opportunity to air your views and to go personally to the NEC Members, instead of doing it in the newspapers and to create a tasteless spirit among the students, which is totally unnecessary.

If you were at the congress you will remember that comrade Shihwameni was the last person to clarify on this issue.

He explained that people have to make the difference between a progressive party and a liberation movement. He went on saying that progressive parties are mostly concerned with ethnic issues, while Swapo which is a liberation movement, is aimed at liberating all the peace loving people in Namibia irrespective of their colours, ethnic groups, etc.

This is a fact that we, in Namibia have to accept that Swapo is the only, only armed movement that is fighting (unless, as Shihwameni said, "there is another armed movement that is hiding underground")

What comrade Steve said at the congress on this issue was positive and I, with the majority accepted it, although you differed as you said, in your letter. Of course, minorities always differ! That we have learned from history in this country.

Lastly, let the truth not hurt us, please!

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