

that Untag is in a strong position to demand SA compliance with all aspects of the UN plan. South Africa is unlikely to withdraw completely from the agreements. Untag now has large numbers of people in Namibia, though more police with better equipment are needed. Our Prime Minister has promised support for Untag in its difficult task. Now is the time for her to remind South Africa that resolution 435 means independence for Namibia through free and fair elections under the supervision and control of the UN. Nothing less will do.

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DTA and 435

ALLOW me to be an ethnicist at this moment by introducing myself as a Caprivian and a proud 'Mafwe' for that matter. I wish to express concern about my fellow 'Mafwes' who are supporters of the DTA. I am proud, and do not hesitate to mention that the Mafwe are people with a definite culture who strive for good moral norms and codes. Therefor what the DTA is doing is not in accordance with our norms and values, that is, beating other people, challenging them with dangerous weapons etc.

This is not only a crime but also punishable in our tribal courts. I am referring to instances like those which took place at Makanga, Sinywabunzi,

etc. I wonder what it means when our respected Mafwe tribal authority tolerates such dirty actions. I wonder whether the Khuta realises the repercussions for itself.

However, let me sound a warning to fellow Namibians, particularly the DTAs. Just as God liberated the Israelis from the bondage of slavery to the Egyptians, God is now going to liberate His sons, the Namibians, from the yoke of bondage from SA colonial rule. Never mind how stubborn Pharaoh was, the fact remains that the Israelites were liberated from Egypt as God decided. Never mind how stubborn the South Africans/DTA may be, the fact remains Namibia will be free.

I have a strong conviction that anyone who stands in the way of God will be drowned in the Red Sea. This is a good warning to the DTA.

Mr Martti Ahtisaari and his team represent Moses in the peace process: "History repeats itself".

Fellow Namibians and fellow Caprivians, fellow Mafwes and the DTA: "I kanda ka i li twikiwa": that is, you cannot put the country on your head. It is heavy and will break your neck.

We know the DTA was totally against the implementation of Resolution 435. We call on this organisation not to involve itself in the peace process with a manner of pretence, aiming to disrupt and cause the process to fail. It must not come out with dirty tricks and strategies of using the radicals of the community and school dropouts to prevent the process from being run in the letter and spirit of 435.

It is a good sign of ignorance to see a person showing the 'two-finger sign', shouting 'demo' and at the same time beating, harassing and hindering others from holding meetings. It is time the

DTA holds seminars and teaches its followers the means of (a) free and fair (b) democracy, and (c) reconciliation.

How disheartening to hear people like Mr Geoffrey Mwilima, a man who has been a teacher and a member of the dissolved National Assembly, addressing people at Chinchimane and encouraging them and the pupils present to take action against teachers belonging to Swapo. Is this what the DTA will do when it comes to power?

On the other hand people are questioning why Swapo does not retaliate. It has been directly involved in the process that has brought Namibia to the present political situation, it knows and understands what is happening and where it is heading, and it regards wrong elements like DTA and Koevoet as lost sons. It is ready to receive and work with both good and bad elements. A parent accepts all its children. So let us all come together under Swapo; let us avoid fighting one another; let us know who the real enemy is.

Finally I want to call on the Mafwe to see to it that people are disciplined and that they respect and love one another.

Why do we not experience similar things in the Masubia areas? Does this mean they have a better understanding and are more cultured than us Mafwe? I realise there are more political groups in Masubia than in ours. We Mafwe must realise that we will never have our own independent country and we are too few to influence elections. Let us not show the world how remote we are. Our ancestors, the Sebitwane, Sekel-etu, Imataa, Simataa, Lifasi and Simasiku did not behave in this manner.

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