

# 'Koevoetura'

OUR residential area, Katutura, is nowadays patrolled nightly by members of Swapol, better known as 'Koevoet'.

While the idea of keeping an eye on this area with a view to curbing crime is acceptable, the consequences of their presence here is such that many people get assaulted unreasonably.

In so doing the police are no longer doing what they are supposed to do.

In a white residential area, no one ever gets hit with a *sjambok* or blinded by strong hunting lamps.

It makes one feel that Katutura is nothing but a game reserve where people go to 'hunt'.

I would suggest that the police deal more gently with the inhabitants of this town, and if action is to be taken, then let an arrest be made, rather than random assaults. The problem will not be solved by creating aggravating circumstances. The police should avoid adding fuel to the fire.

Let the peaceful people in peace.

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