

All History Traces Back To Injustice

THE current land grab being orchestrated by the government will have long term disastrous consequences for Namibia. One need only look to Zimbabwe to see what a few years will bring. This is the practical result.

On the philosophical side, inter-tribal warfare killed and maimed far more blacks than the whites ever did. It went on for hundreds, perhaps thousands of years. No one seems to be talking about restitution here. This is especially significant for the San, who were preyed upon extensively by other Namibian tribes, but are given no consideration for compensation.

Wealthy despots like the Presidents of Zimbabwe and Namibia

respectively have done nothing for their respective countries. I have watched the infrastructure of Namibia steadily deteriorate since 1990. Sadly, despite the emotions that colonialism stirs up in Namibian blacks, the majority of material progress the country has made occurred during that era. Not since 1990. Wake up! You have only a scant 75000 taxpayers in the country. How can the President decide you are better off without them? Giving land to untrained people, many of whom are illiterate, will not bode well for success in 21st century agribusiness. Drive around and look at a few black owned farms. Like Zimbabwe, the game is gone. Poached for money or

killed for food. Like Zim, there is no real production to help the country. The former black employees will be reduced to squatters, living from hand to mouth. It would be great if all of us who are not wealthy could be made so overnight. Something for nothing is everyone's dream. Unfortunately, it cannot work. No one is alive today that was forced off of any land in the 1904 war. No one is alive that shot or hurt anyone in the 1904 war. ALL groups of people, and I mean ALL, can trace their history back to some injustice. But only the blacks expect compensation, and only from whites.

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