peace, stability and a decent shot at economic prosperity and national reconstruction can be achieved in Namibia.

The simple fact is that negotiations between Swapo and South Africa or between other Namibian parties and South Africa, will not achieve this. It can only be achieved in negotiations between Namibians espousing different views.

We understand why Swapo wishes to sign a ceasefire agreement with South Africa and why it does not wish to negotiate with other Namibian parties. By signing a ceasefire with South Africa, Swapo will gain prestige and will be seen as the winner.

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INTERIM GOVERNMENT
MINISTER

NOTE: This letter has been shortened - Editor.

In struggle

I WOULD like to refer to an announcement in a recent radio programme stating that churchleaders should not be involved in politics. Why is this the case?

Obviously churchleaders are our guides in the struggle. They are the ones who can truly solve problems, especially regarding the "beatings and torture" by Koevoet in northern Namibia.

Churchleaders must be involved in politics because they are true peacelovers of Namibia who are struggling for peace and freedom; because they love their people and country, they must try to defend their people by telling Koevoet members to stop their intimidation.

Churchleaders, keep it up! Do not be intimidated.

MTUMBULWA ELIAH
WINDHOEK

Open Letter

AN OPEN LETTER TO DR JORDAAN

TAKE note that the people of Otjimbingwe have for the last couple of years noted critically the undesirable medical care service that your health department offers to our people here, and demanded drastic changes (see attached petition).

However, after almost a month your department seems virtually inconsiderate towards the rotten medical service and the lives of the people your government claims to protect and govern. To be sure, your department has not moved even an inch to respond to the demands of the people. Dr Wagner continues still, and the State clinic is not yet properly equipped.

So, if these conditions remain, we