

It has already been announced that a number of weapons were stolen from a special police unit armoury.

Namibians tend to be peaceful and solemn people, but they must be objective and vigilant and not be fooled through ignorance. People must prepare to defend their newly-found freedom at all costs.

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On arms theft

TO those anti-government elements who like to spoil things - please emancipate yourselves from mental slavery, none but ourselves can free our minds'

I call on the Ministrice of Home Affairs and State Socurity to track down those who are involved in the mysterious theft of arms from a special police unit armously which must be guarded at all times.

The blame must obviously lie with the person or commander who was on that evening in charge of the police force.

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A cheap tool

IT IS no surprise to learn that in the age of national reconciliation the anticommunist has now jumped on the bandwagon of Namibian nationalism. It is because we make our hospitality a cheap tool to be used by opportunists to further their case.

In fact we are now harbouring the very people who through their own legislation and collaboration, prevented Namibians from reaping the riches of their toil.

Our first priority must be the plight

of the under-privileged majority of our society. It will be quite a notorious phenomenon if those in power cannot fulfil the needs and aspirations of those who fought for and voted them into power.

Quite disturbing to read is the fact that a few Zambians were repatriated while we all know that South Africans from the Cape and North-Western Cape are streaming into this country. Most of these South Africans are not necessarily supporters of the ANC or PAC, nor are they looking for relief from the clutches of apartheid. No way.

Most of these people do not want majority rule but Namibia, with its peace-loving citizens, provides better sanctuary and wealth for them. In five years' time we could be outvoted with the help of these aliens.

As for the Zambians, I think that their people had a lot to do with what Swapo achieved in this part of the African continent and that goes with a lot of appreciation for the hospitality and moral support shown to our brothers and sisters when they were in exile.

NO CHEAP TOOL WINDHOEK

Loane, please

THIS is an open letter to the Ministers of Defence and Home Affairs in Namibia from members of the new army and police.

Most of us soldiers (without rank) are earning R420. This is not enough. Most of us would like to be able to enjoy life a bit, because we may have to die for our country.

Rent of a house costs at least R300 and then a pair of pants will cost you about R100.

Some of our soldiers are married, and the R420 is a problem. Others want to get married, but can't save on this salary.

There must not be such a big difference between the salaries of soldiers and the people with rank. The contempt for the ordinary soldier must not be allowed to continue, otherwise there will be no army in Namibia.

SOLDIERS

Winnie Mandela gets stuffed

JOHANNESBURG: IN the heart of South Africa's white suburbs, Winnie Mandela is a hit. Not as a fiery activist, but as a stuffed doll.

Priced at R100, the two-foot high Winnie doll comes complete with headdress, gold-coloured hoop earrings, an African print dress and lots of jewellery.

Mrs Mandela, wife of ANC leader Nelson Mandela, is known for her provocative statements and flashy outfits.

Capitalizing on Mrs Mandela's notoriety, two young white design students have been handmaking the Winnie dolls and selling them at an upscale shopping mall in the affluent white suburbs of Johannesburg.- Sapa-AP

Do you wish to acquire new skills, brush up on those obtained some time ago, or simply improve your existing skills?

We are at your service