

Don't forget

SEVENTY-five percent of the Herero people were killed by Germans during their brutal colonial rule over Namibia. The Nama people were reduced to 50 percent. The problem

we have today, which is South African colonialism, is built up on the foundation created and cemented by German colonialism. Germany has a historical responsibility and role to play in the decolonisation of Namibia because she opened that colonial door through which South African colonialism entered Namibia.

As a Namibian, a victim of that German colonialism, I was shocked to read in the Windhoek Advertiser of November 21 1986 that the Etango movement received 30 000 Rand from West Germany. This was announced by the so-called chief coordinator of Etango, Mr Andre van der Kolff.

Etango (like Koevoet which is linked to the police) appears to be part of the South African Defence Force, and therefore linked to it. "Donations" from West Germany mean to every Namibian: the financing the killing of Namibians, prolonging the colonial rule they started, prolonging the suffering of Namibians.

We also know that West Germany supplies SA with military technology and about 90 percent of the SADF means of transport is from West Germany. Now it is again "donations" and we don't know what the next will be.

Soon Namibia will be free and the independent Namibia will draw up a list identifying our friends and those who supported liberation. Those who are financing colonial forces and their squads, such as Koevoet and Etango, are already creating their grounds not to appear on that list where all freedom and peace-loving countries in the world will appear.

Our message to them is: support the liberation of Namibia and the abolition of apartheid in South Africa and Namibia, instead of reviving the colonial past which has already many other historical mistakes and crimes not only against the Namibian people, but against other European countries just 40 years ago.

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