

## The chief's motives


WHILE I support all efforts of Swapo and wish them immediate success in apprehending the perpetrators of the recent murders in Owambo and Grootfontein areas, and that the culprits are brought to book for their dastardly deeds, I could not comprehend the motives behind Chief Kuaimo Riruako's press conference as reported in The Namibian of February 21.

Chief Riruako hinted that the people might take the law into their own hands and accused other political parties in this country of alleged failure in condemning the recent killing of three white residents of Grootfontein. He further wondered why the murders had occurred after the adoption of the constitution of the Republic of Namibia.

Chief Riruako seemed to be out of touch with events in Namibia. The killing of innocent people has been common and prevalent, especially in the north all along since the election. Many people were robbed at gunpoint of their properties and animals and people killed in the process.

These incidents were reported in local newspapers and to my knowledge both the Administrator General, who is charged with maintaining law and order, and different par-

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ties including the Constituent Assembly, expressed concern and called on the law enforcement agency to do their level best to bring the culprits to book and to end the lawless situation.

However, Chief Riruako, who wants 'peace to be maintained for all, not for particular people or particular organisations' was in this country and never called a press conference to denounce killings, armed robbery etc in the north part of our country, but only when they happened in Grootfontein. What hypocrisy on the part of the DTA President!

In the spirit of national reconciliation, the spirit of Namibia demands that we build a nation hand in hand, irrespective of colour, race, religion or ethnic, regional or party affiliations.

Lastly, Chief Riruako accused Swapo and the AG who "had put Swapo in the position of government before Swapo had officially been

inaugurated as the new government! It is not Swapo or the AG which had put Swapo in government. Swapo was elected, and the AG, as the representative of the colonial regime, would be the last person to put the movement in government.

Chief Riruako must know that it is the people of this country who hate colonialism and see their salvation in Swapo that put Swapo in government. It is the likes of Chief Riruako who voted for the loser party - the DTA, who do not make any difference.

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FELLOW students at schools often think that speaking English is a waste of their time, and yet they do