

Thanks to Angola

DEAR friends from Angola

It has taken me quite a long time to think of how to thank you for the good things you have done for Namibia - the list of all your assistance is too long to include here.

How do I thank someone who has shared a trench with me? I have no descriptive words to express my gratitude and appreciation for what Angola has done for Namibia. I know that the price Angola has paid for our independence is higher and I am sure that it cannot be measured in either gold or money. The people of Angola and their socio-economic infrastructures were the daily targets of the apartheid regime and its mercenaries.

However, today we are the victors! The precious blood of the Namibian and Angolan daughters and sons has crowned our struggle with freedom and justice. I am aware of the fact that our enemies are still working day and night to destabilise our peace, happiness and fraternal comradeship and, therefore, there is still a need for vigilance at all times.

I believe that Angola and Namibia can work together in order to bring peace and stability to our beautiful region of southern Africa.

I would like also to thank my friends and comrades in Angola, especially those who shared trenches with the Plan combatants in the just struggle against colonialism and all forms of oppression in Namibia. I particularly want to thank the President of the People's Republic of Angola and the MPLA, His Excellency, Jose Eduardo dos Santos and the entire leadership of the MPLA.

In the same vein, I would like to thank my colleagues of the JMPLA who assisted me and my comrades of the Swapo Youth League on numerous occasions. Perhaps it is unfair to
