

Business as usual

ALLOW me to congratulate the Cabinet of the Namibian Government for its decision to withdraw the licence of the Hotel Onduri in Outjo. This was a much needed sign to all racists that the status quo cannot be allowed to continue.

The policy of national reconciliation has been abused time and again by those who cannot accept change and in fact are still opposed to Namibia's independence. Incidents of racism frequently occur, especially in outlying areas, and in my opinion the government has been far too lenient in its actions thus far.

This encouraged the reactionary forces to continue 'business as usual'; workers are still victimised and exploited while the 'white' privileges remain untouched.

Social justice is a prerequisite for peace and democracy and hopefully the Outjo decision will send a clear signal that racism cannot be allowed to continue. All incidents of racism should be dealt with in the same consequent manner.

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