

LETTERS/OPINIONS

**Kakede**

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swa intelligent enough, President Nujoma would not have terminated his term of running the Foreign Affairs Ministry.

When he was Minister of Trade and Industry, some of the monies belonging to the Development Brigade Corporation (DBC) went missing, under Hidipo's Jurisdiction. H.E President Nujoma ordered the setting up of Commission of Enquiry and Hidipo was summoned to answer to questions put to him as to what actually happened to the money?

When he could not give sub-

stantial answers, the Commission of Enquiry postponed the hearing, having discovered that nothing was coming out of Hamutenya. The whole enquiry was abandoned indefinitely. Hidipo Hamutenya as a leader of RDP, was not suppose to boycott parliament if he was more clever than Pohamba.

In the first place, parliament is a National symbol and no sober minded person could ever play with it. If he was defeated during the last November election, and that he was not like Pohamba whom he is slandering as not governing the country properly, he would have accepted defeat like what former British Prime Minister Mr. Brown did.

When he realized that his Labour party had lost, he went to the Queen to hand in his resignation. He never bothered to go to the courts to seek nullification of election results. Now the RDP members who were supposed to have joined others at parliament are suffering from hunger, shame on Hidipo. The Supreme Court on which Hidipo pinned his hope did absolutely nothing to get him out of that dangerous frustration. People in Namibia love Pohamba, because he knows how to unite our people irrespective of their political affiliation or their colours of skin.

By Kakede Ka Nangula

**A Namibian Teenager's take on the book: The Exile Child**

Please allow me to tell the Namibian nation my thoughts about the newly published book by a Namibian author, Valentina: The Exile Child. I'm a 19 year old Namibian youth who recently finished Windhoek High and now attending Polytech. I read the hard copy of the book from the first page to the last page and I was thrilled by the content of the book and the exciting details in it. Through reading the book, I gained an understanding and thorough knowledge on the opulent history that Namibia possess and inspired by the authors life and experiences.

The tough-hard times Namibia had gone through during its liberation struggle for independence shape Namibia today. We enjoy independence because of blood and tears that were shed; our heroines scarified their lives for the motherland, Namibia. This rich history is detailed in the book.

The book gives reflections on the life and experiences in the exile camps of Kwanza Sul, Lubango

etc, and the condition under which people lived, even made easier by visuals in the book as well as the authors own experience under the same circumstance in exile times and the authors life after exiles in the independent Namibia, her country of heritage, her life in England her country of awakening and in the USA, her country of growth. exile state of affairs are of which many do not have a clue off, many try to imagine how life really was and how people endured under those demanding periods, the book gives a reflection on those hard times.

The experiences of the author is an inspiration to many, example of her life abroad during times of tertiary education were she fought hard to make sure that she was financially secure on her own without support, the author kept on believing that all she was going through will come to past, the book reflects the authors personal life with reference on various events and topics that helped shape the authors life. The writer's personal story takes place against

historical events. reading about her experiences I was stunned to learn to never give up in difficult situations but to keep believing that better times are ahead and to keep stretching for a better me to reach the highest banner, life can really be hard sometimes and comprehending it may turn out to be a difficult task for many, I am inspired to live my life to the fullest in a productive manner. The author said "where there's a will, there's always a way" teaching one to be a fighter in life.

I recommend this book to all citizens of the motherland Namibia and of the cosmopolitan that would want to have an insight of Namibia's background and its people, get empowered by the Authors personal story throughout her life, keep believing and stretching for a better you. This is a one fun book to read and those interested in reading the book should visit [www.theexilechild.com](http://www.theexilechild.com) for more information.

FROM THOMAS KASHIDULIKA Windhoek, Namibia

**Zim Imperialist Agents On the Loose In Namibia**

Reliable sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, have revealed that certain opposition imperialist agents from Zim, posing as qualified journalists in tv, radio and print media, are targeting progressive Nam media institutions to use as behind the scenes launching-pads for imperialist-inspired, anti-

former-liberation-movements governing parties propaganda. these elements, some already stationed in Windhoek, are busy arranging work contracts and permits to consolidated and legalize their omnius status and mission in the country.

One such element is reportedly trying to infiltrate

Namibia, some are trying to register front businesses in Namibia to advance their imperialist-inspired mission.

All progressive and patriotic cadres are warned to be vigilant and not to fall victim to these imperialist agents' tricks.

Aluta Continua!!

**Five US soldiers charged with murdering civilians in Afghanistan**

By a reporter

A total of five US soldiers are now charged with murder in the killing of three civilians in Afghanistan earlier this year, according to a statement issued by the Army Wednesday. Three soldiers were charged Tuesday, joining two charged earlier this month. All could face the death penalty if convicted.

Staff Sgt. Calvin Gibbs, 25, of Billings, Montana, and Spec. Jeremy Morlock, 22, of Wasilla, Alaska, were charged with three counts each of murder and one count each of assault. Pfc. Andrew Holmes, 19, of Boise, Idaho; Spec. Michael Wagon, 29, of Las Vegas; and Spec. Adam Winfield, 21, of Cape Coral, Florida, were charged Tuesday with one count of premeditated murder.

The three killings took place in separate incidents near Forward Operating Base Ramrod in Kandahar province, a position manned by soldiers of B company, 2nd battalion, 1st infantry regiment, 5th Stryker brigade combat team, 2nd infantry division.

Pfc. Holmes is accused of killing Gul Mudin in January. Spec. Wagon is accused of shooting Marach Agha to death on February 22, as well as asking another soldier to erase the evidence of the death from a computer hard drive.

Spec. Winfield is accused of killing Mullah Adahdad May 2. The killings all involved the use of grenades and rifle fire

Spec. Morlock and Staff Sgt. Gibbs were charged in all three of the killings, and in an assault on a fourth victim May 5. According to the French news service Agence France-Presse, the assault victim was a fellow soldier who was trying to expose drug abuse in the unit and was severely beaten in retaliation. While recovering from his injuries in the hospital, the soldier revealed the involvement of the five men in the three murders. The charge sheet indicates that the assault involved punching and kicking, as well as spitting in the face.

The five soldiers are now being held in pre-trial confinement at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, near Tacoma, Washington, the home base for the Stryker Brigade, which remains in Afghanistan. The brigade has seen heavy combat against Taliban fighters since it deployed in July 2009, suffering 33 combat deaths, with three more soldiers dying from non-combat-related causes.

Two of the five soldiers were on their third combat deployment—Gibbs, who was in Iraq from January 2004 to January 2005 and in Afghanistan from January 2006 to May 2007, and Wagon, who was in Iraq twice,

from February 2004 to February 2005 and from August 2006 to November 2007.

The other three soldiers were on their first overseas combat deployment. Morlock had a criminal record before and during his military service, including a domestic-violence protective order obtained by his wife two years ago, and a conviction for disorderly conduct last year. The Army has said nothing about a possible motive in any of the murders, which took place in the months preceding a US military offensive in the Kandahar area that has been repeatedly delayed because of intense local opposition.

Lt. Col. Tamara Parker, spokeswoman for Joint Base Lewis-McChord, said the charges were "absolutely serious allegations," adding that "The circumstances will be revealed as the case moves forward, but the evidence points toward premeditation."

Reflecting the sensitivity of the incident, she continued, "We hope it will not cause problems with the good work the soldiers are trying to do to bring peace there."

A series of US atrocities against Afghan civilians, many of them involving the bombing of wedding parties and other large family gatherings, have sparked immense and continuing outrage among the Afghan people. WSWWS

**American hunting for Bin Laden released from Pakistan**

ISLAMABAD, — American citizen Gary Brooks Faulkner, who arrived in Pakistan earlier this month with a greed to collect a big bounty for killing al-Qaeda chief, has been released and left for the United States, local media reported on Wednesday.

Faulkner, 51, was arrested from the northern Pakistan's scenic city of Chitral on June 15 while attempting to sneak into Afghanistan's Nuristan province.

Caught being armed with pistol, sword, dagger and night vision device, the American has confessed to be on a personal mission of killing al-Qaeda chief Osama bin Laden, hav-

ing a 25 million U.S. dollar head-money on him, local police said.

Mumtaz Ahmed, a senior police investigator, said Faulkner was hunting bin Laden because he suffered personal losses in the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks.

An intelligence official in Chitral, who asked not to be identified, said Faulkner shouted "Don't come closer to me or I'll open fire!" when approached.

Local media said it marks one of the first instances of an American entering Pakistan and Afghanistan on his own to fight against al-Qaeda and other militants.

Chitral is a tourist destination but had minutely felt the effects of militancy and extremism that have gripped the northwest tribal areas of Pakistan for years.

In April, a Greek social worker and archaeologist, Athanassios Lerounis, was safely recovered after being kidnapped by Taliban militants in September 2009 to exchange freedom of some militants and taken to Nuristan in the neighboring war-torn Afghanistan. (Xinhua)

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