



President Robert Mugabe

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"Now the West is taking advantage of the fact that it has been given that support to let itself in a position in which tomorrow it would be masters of resources of Libya, especially the oil. And it is this oil, oil, oil which is the undoing of the Libyan people."Mugabe

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President Pohamba condemned in "the strongest terms" the invasion of Libya by "non-African forces," virtually saying that that the United Nations resolution on a "no-fly zone" on Libya had been misinterpreted.

Speaking at the 21st independence anniversary in Otjiwarongo on Monday, President Pohamba said that the African Union Peace Council made it clear that any foreign military invasion in the internal affairs of any African state should be condemned "in the strongest terms."

"I am deeply saddened by the fact that some of our brothers and sisters in Libya are being attacked by non-African sources from overseas," said the President. "We deplore and regret the latest invasion led by some European countries."

The President was referring to airstrikes on Libya launched by the United States, France and Italy, under the guise of "protecting civilians" from



Foreign Affairs Minister Utoni Nujoma

aerial bombings by Libyan "air and ground forces." There are rebels who are fighting to overthrow a legitimate government in Libya.

Founding President Sam Nujoma has also condemned the invasion, saying that no country had the right to wage a war of aggression against any other sovereign state. He said that it was not allowed under international law.

"I condemn it in the strongest terms," he said on Thursday. "It is a crime against hu-

manity and the sovereignty of the Libyan territory. No country in the world can wage a war of aggression against another sovereign state.

"We condemn NATO and other imperialist countries for invading Libya. There are legal and peaceful mechanisms through which internal conflicts can be resolved. What NATO and other imperialist countries are doing against Libya is a crime against humanity."

Foreign Affairs Minister Utoni Nujoma, who represented Namibia at the recent African Union meeting which discussed the Libyan issue, had also come out punching, saying the AU and Peace Security Council made a strong commitment to respecting Libya's territorial integrity and rejected any foreign intervention in whatever form.

Minister Utoni said that since the Libyan crisis began a few weeks ago, Namibia had recognized the legitimate aspirations of the Libyan people and called for peaceful dialogue.

"The government rejects and condemns the Western military attacks and calls for such attacks to stop immediately," said Minister Utoni. The invasion has also come under severe criticism from several African leaders, with Zimbabwean President Robert Mugabe describing the aerial strikes as "callous attacks on Libya."

President Mugabe said the US, Britain and France had twisted the meaning of the UN

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billion."

The youth leader therefore encouraged youth throughout the 107 constituencies and 13 Regions of Namibia to organize themselves and embrace the opportunity created by government to spend over N\$14 billion towards creating employment for unemployed Namibians, majority of them the youth. Dr. Ngurare further in pursuit of this objective urged them to approach their constituency councilors and through the Constituency Development

Committees (CDCs) to ensure that all unemployed youth are registered and classified according to their needs and highest level of qualification.

The allocated budget of N\$14.7 billion, according to Dr. Ngurare, should benefit the unemployed youth practically by ensuring that the unemployed youth themselves are involved in the various projects to be identified in the key sectors identified by government, namely agriculture, transport, tourism and housing and sanitation.

Amongst the youth in attendance included grade 10 and 12 drop outs, those with carpentry

or other vocational experience, some with diplomas obtained from Zimbabwe, some were children of the liberation struggle while others were job seekers of a long time without luck. Some youth accused some departments and directorates of ministries in Erongo of discriminating them by asking long years of experience when going for interviews.

Meanwhile the youth in the meeting expressed appreciation to government for the budgeted amount and suggested that some money should be channeled to local authorities in order to create employment.

The meeting was also attended by Cde Klaudia Kokayi, the District Coordinator of the SWAPO Party in Swakopmund, Cde Laina Shapange, SPYL Regional Secretary for Erongo, Cde. Kamwanga Likoro, SPYL Regional Secretary for Information and Mobilisation, Acting District Secretary for Swakopmund, Cde Kaleb Kambalala, Walvis Bay SPYL District Secretary Cde. Tobias N. Nambala as well as leadership and membership of SPYL from section, branch and district levels.



Founding President Sam Nujoma and his officials welcome GDVN delegation at his Office. From left are Timotheus Mujeu, Albino Prungu, Karl Manfred Izaaks and Andries Jackson Eiseb from GDVN. On the are John Nauta, Doze Iileka and Nahum Lindombo from the Founding President's Office. Photo by Anna Nakambale

N\$100 000 for Sam Nujoma Foundation

By Asser Ntinda

The Sam Nujoma Foundation became N\$100,000 richer on Thursday when a local diamond valuation company made that substantial donation as part of its corporate social responsibility.

The money will be used to provide financial assistance to students studying science and technology under the Sam Nujoma Foundation, as well as provide assistance to vulnerable children, especially abandoned, orphaned and HIV/Aids infected children.

Global Diamond Valutors Namibia Executive Chairman, Andries Jackson Eiseb told the Founding President that as part of his company's social responsibility programme, his company focused on previously disadvantaged women, children and the elderly, while at the same time it promoted and encouraged higher education in fields such as science and mathematics.

The Sam Nujoma Foundation, amongst other things, encourages and promotes studies in science subjects such as mathematics, biology, geology, agriculture and other related fields. The

Foundation wants Namibia to produce its own scientists, while at the same time helping the vulnerable ones.

"Therefore, it gives us tremendous joy to have the opportunity to contribute and be part of such a worthy and notable course," said Eiseb. "At Global Diamond Valutors Namibia, we are the eyes and ears of the government. Every diamond exported from Namibia goes through us to ascertain its value."

The company has come through thick and thin, surmounting many odds which were stuck against it from its formative years. What saw it through were hard labour, sacrifices, endurance and commitment – making it the first 100 percent owned Namibian diamond valuation company.

Throughout its formative

years, the government through the Ministry of Mines and Energy, played a pivotal role in encouraging, directing and supporting it in achieving its ultimate goal – being the only national valuator in the country. Many diamond producing countries do not still have their own valutors.

"It was the foresight of the Namibian government which culminated in the first Namibian valuator to join this function of Government Diamond Valuator in 1998," said Eiseb.

"The desire and dream of a complete Namibian Government Diamond Valuator was realized in November 2009 when we successfully became the officially appointed Government Diamond Valutors of

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Founding President receives a cheque from GDVN's Executive Chairman, Andries Jackson Eiseb. Photo by Anna Nakambale.

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