

# SPYL speaks out

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Namibia's triumphant achievement of freedom and independence has seen twenty solid years of stability, sustained economic and social progress, and meaningful nation building. These latterly achievements have been underpinned by visionary, steadfast and focused leadership, dedicated to realize the objectives and goals of the very freedom and independence sought. Over these twenty years, SWAPO PARTY too has grown into a solid political centre, able and capable of reaching all the constituencies of Namibia, and representing the common and collective wishes of all Namibians. While the opposition parties have been suffocating under the responsive and broadly accepted centre-left policies of the SWAPO PARTY, SWAPO PARTY demonstrated her intrinsic ability to remain ever relevant to the past, the present and the future of Namibia.

2. For all these reasons and more, SPYL wishes, on this, the 20<sup>th</sup> remembrance of freedom, waged for centuries, to congratulate and compliment the leadership of SWAPO PARTY, and in particular the Founding Father of the Nation, Dr. Sam Nujoma, and his successor, President Hifikepunye Pohamba, for the competent and exemplary leadership. We, as youth of Namibia realize how fortunate we are, to live in a country as Namibia, challenged by many difficulties, yet chiseled and chartered by the national conditions of peace, political and social stability and economic progress.

3. At this point in history therefore, the youth recommit themselves to realizing the manifestations of economic prosperity and the "pursuit of happiness" for all Namibians, as our historic debt to the Hendrik Witbooi's, the Jacob Marenga's, the Samuel



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Maharero's, the Mandume Ndemufayo's, and the many fallen and brave offspring of this soil, whose blood voluntarily spilt to birth our freedom.

4. From the attempts to weaken SWAPO PARTY as a political centre of choice of all Namibians, to the attempts to

embroider Namibia's political landscape with ethnic and divisive decorations, Namibians from all walks of life have demonstrated a sincere sense of political maturity, a decisive loyalty to nationhood and a distinct desire for progress, not change. Namibians want further

progress in the provision of housing and sanitation. They want further progress in the provision of health and human development. They want further progress in education and training and in further economic and empowerment opportunities. SWAPO PARTY has the policy responses to these "legitimate gasps" for further progress. And it is for this reason, that Namibians, hitherto, feel safe under SWAPO PARTY leadership.

5. Many have argued, quiet hastily, that there is a discord within SWAPO PARTY and that SPYL is in a "criticizing mode" only. Yet others have made the point that SWAPO PARTY has lost vision. However, SWAPO PARTY, unlike others, is in a constant "reality check" of her policies, her programmes, and her compact with the citizens is informed and educated in a dynamic and robust basis, within the precinct of the PARTY code of conduct. *SPYL is central to this robust and dynamic exchange to strengthen and deepen the SWAPO PARTY'S compact.* In respect of electoral results therefore, and with due recognition of the latter truth, SWAPO PARTY has outpaced, and will continue to outpace challengers in the theatre of the voter's market.

Having attained an admirable

landslide victory, and with % majority in the National Assembly, we congratulate the comrades deployed to the state institutions on their appointment as principal policy deployee's of SWAPO PARTY in government, and urge same to do all necessary to live up to the election manifesto of 2009.

This should be done by urgently "converting" the provisions of the Manifesto into policy and programme initiatives, to drive forward service delivery and the quality of life of all our people. SPYL also urges members of National Assembly posted as "backbenchers," to engage in an "activist backbenchership," with the purpose to generate and propel policy matters. *Backbencher does not mean 'stillbencher.'* SPYL wishes to underline and support His Excellency President Pohamba, when he stated that failure to work hard by Parliamentarians could result in their withdrawal from that institution. SPYL expects the very best from every Parliamentarian, for the sake of Namibia.

## POLYTECHNIC OF NAMIBIA

We support the renaming of Polytechnic of Namibia to the University of Science and Technology. It's good for the country, and it's good for the students,

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## South Africa

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ing ANC, but the ruling SWAPO Party of Namibia, Mozambique's Frelimo, the governing MPLA of Angola, ZANU-PF in Zimbabwe, as well as Swaziland's King Mswati III and his government.

There seems an all-out effort to achieve a "new" South Africa under "new" white rule by 2014, this time possibly accepted by South Africa's angry, hungry and tired black majority, the Southern African Development Community (Sadc), the African Union, as well as the international West.

Imagine, Germans would attempt to further Nazi doctrines and policies after the Nurnberg

Trials in post WW2 Germany and the European Union (EU), enjoying foreign funded and directed "civil society's" propagandistic support?

### A legacy deal.

Senior researchers of South African history explain that a transformation in the ANC leadership took place from 1980. Many in the leadership had become over-compromised during talks with a host of imperial colonial-apartheid representatives across the board, South Africa's powerful foreign owned and controlled industry as well as the international West during the 'Cold War Era'. It was thus transformed to a capitalist elite.

The established senior advocate and anti-apartheid veteran,

George Bizos, also known as Mandela's attorney, said on national television in Johannesburg, the "SABC TV 2 Morning Life" programme in the morning of Thursday, February 11, 2010, "Nelson Mandela was the master of his own destiny, of his own life since 1985".

While Mandela served his time in "Victor Verster" prison outside Cape Town, he had a chef, who cooked for him; free access to his family and the outside world; house attendants; to newspapers, television and radio; flights to Pretoria to meet with then State President P. W. Botha, his Minister of Justice, Kobie Coetzee and the head of National Intelligence Services (NIS), Dr. Niel Barnard, in or-

der to discuss and negotiate.

In other words, Mandela had from 1985 to 1990 - five years before his release - to prepare for the historic leaving of his prison. Revered late ANC President, Oliver Reginald Tambo, referring to Nelson Mandela's meetings with the colonial-apartheid regime in the crucial 1980s, observed, "Prisoners can't negotiate their freedom". He added saying, "Whilst still in prison, terms and conditions would be laid down to accept and agree on a take-it, or leave-it basis during talks with the regime".

Tambo remarked during his visit to the ANC camps in exile, "We are singing the same national anthem, raise the same flag and talk about our ANC".

According to aged ANC veterans, Tambo seemed disturbed about senior members of the leadership, who could have compromised the organisation. He seemed to question whom to trust. This, according to those veterans, eventually led to Tambo's first stroke.

### The final analysis.

The terms "national reconciliation", "free market economy", "equality before the law", "equal participation" and even "democracy" including the hailed "freedoms" remain an absolute cynical farce for as long as the imperial-colonial-apartheid beneficiaries, their economy, the banking cartel and organised crime structures dictate the terms and conditions for the aforementioned without

any compromise, without any access to land and the economy.

To quote Mayer Amschel Rothschild, founder of the Rothschild global banking dynasty: "Give me control of a nation's money supply, and I care not who makes its laws."

For as long as Caucasian economic plunder barons, the "former" colonial occupiers, all their minority groups, including Indians insist on being African and in return, Africans remain kept as 'hewers of wood' and 'carriers of water' with a dysfunctional democracy, no access to their land and the economy, South Africa's and Africa's blacks have simply been betrayed. National reconciliation and nation-building remain propaganda.



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