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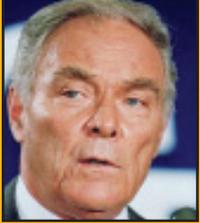
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SWAPO cruises to victory

Opposition's 'coalition project' shuttered

By Asser Ntinda

Eight opposition parties which came together and formed a loose coalition a few weeks ago to deprive SWAPO Party of a victory in the Okahandja by-election have dismally failed to achieve their objective.

The parties spectacularly lost to SWAPO Party candidate, Cde Steve Biko Booyis, by a huge margin, garnering only 1559 votes for their candidate, Christophina Paulus, while SWAPO Party's Booyis walked away with a whopping 3153 votes. "Independent" candidate Ben Katamila got 480, while SWANU got only 51.

Head of the National leaders assigned to Otjondjondjupa

Region, Cde Immanuel Ngatjizeko, congratulated and commended the people of Okahandja, saying that the mandate they had given to SWAPO Party meant that they did not entertain coalition politics.

"I am very gratified," he said in a telephonic interview. "The outcome of the election is significant in many ways. I do not know what the next step by the opposition will be, but they must come clean and accept the

result.

"The outcome also serves as a reminder that the people have not forgotten the sacrifices they made during the struggle for independence. They trusted SWAPO as the only party that would bring about independence, and it did.

"Now, a small community has shown that 20 years after independence, people believe that it is only SWAPO Party that

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President Hifikepunye Pohamba with Cde Steve Biko Booyis, who was elected councilor for Okahandja Constituency on Wednesday. Photo by Levi Upula.

Succession 'debate' premature, says SPYL

By Asser Ntinda

SWAPO Party Youth League, SPYL, has described the current succession debate as premature and unnecessary, especially when there is no vacancy in the Presidency as the new government has yet to be sworn.

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SPYL Central Committee members with Acting Attorney General, Dr Albert Kawana. Photo by Levi Upula.



IUM Vice Chancellor, Dr. David Namwandi. Photo by Levi Upula.

IUM grows by leaps and bounds

By Levi Upula

Namibia's only private university, the International University of Management, IUM, is growing by leaps and bounds and has this year recorded its largest enrolment since its inception.

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