

# Comments

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positions should not appear to be reserved just for elders who were in exile but also for the patriots who were inside the country, young and old!

◆ **Lydia Aipinge**  
I concur with ur last part of the comment! and as I said earlier, it's an orchestrated thing by either an individual or individuals; our societal practices, etc, which led to 'exile kids' to such demand! and the response of GRN on their cause further unfolded another formation of a group of 'non-exiled children'. I also learnt there's a facebook ... See Moregroup of that kind! Whether someone's plan is finally paying off or is simply a genuine unfolding of events is something every political leader has to seriously ponder about... Already there's indications about the seeds of fragmentations ...while generalising all exile children as lazy or what have you; those qualities are indicated by the profiles of many of them in the group, hence can't be divorced from it! Cde, I think we need to look at the

root cause of the whole issue as we resolve it ... to avoid any other similar eventualities...and be vigilant of our own actions as party members! Lastly Cde, I'm not an 'exile child'! Like many others at my time, I was actively involved in the struggle inside Namibia. I lost a brother in an attack at our house and luckily survived that; our Mahangu field was a battle front; miss on fatherly love because my father have to stay away for longer periods to avoid imprisonment, lost a one year schooling due to my schools participation in NANSO protest against military bases near secondary schools, and like many endured all the atrocities at a tender age; but I don't demand any type of consolation and reward from SWAPO or government because of what I or my parent went through! Their participation from inside greatly helped those who were fighting in exile! I consciously understand it was genuinely inevitable and was the best I and others could have done as a patriotic Namibians! But if need be, I will make demands to GRN foremost as a citizen and a voter, rather than a member of whatever group! Something is really cooking behind the 'exile kids' demands ...I'm not convinced it's

a genuine cause which arose innocently...  
◆ **Basilius M. Kasera**  
I think this whole "SK" issue is a terrible social evil trying to find its roots. It's a sick thing that many of our Namibian fellows prefer to have handouts as if it's the Namibian government that is the cause of their dispositions. They blow trumpets and the GRN has to jump...it's time that the GRN must take a stand against all these struggle ... See More nonsense of people thinking that they now deserve some special handouts which those who lived within the country during the struggle don't deserve. I partly do blame the GRN for not taking a stand from the very beginning of all this. Perhaps it's also time for Namibians who suffered within the borders during the struggle to start marches to parliament making demands. Perhaps all people who are economically disadvantaged should start marching to parliament and make demands. All school dropouts should start making marches to parliament....For if one disadvantaged group thinks that they deserve better from the GRN why can't the rest in their various categories of

disadvantages not take the same desperate measures....  
I've many friends born in the struggle of whom all have made something meaningful with their lives without GRN assistance. This is just laziness and people wanting the handouts on the expense of hardworking taxpayers.  
◆ **Tjitunga Elijah Ngurare**  
As always, it is refreshing reading your input Cde Aipinge and I agree with the sentiments you express particularly on the role of those who were inside the country and how they suffered for the liberation struggle and in pursuit of the independence of our country. Indeed, you and many others, did their patriotic part, no one

will take that record away from you. In fact our Founding President is on record saying that our national independence was brought about by those who fought under PLAN as well as other means outside the country and also by patriots who were inside the country and who endured the suffering at the hands of apartheid South Africa. My good brother Kasera, I also agree with you especially in relation to this matter being a "social evil trying to find its roots" but which nevertheless must be addressed head-on. Demanding handouts from Government is not a right thing to do in general but it happens and is happening. However if all those who feel that they want to march and demand something and then it is given them, that list would

not end, for sure. My understanding of these young people is that when they came back at independence, they were meant to be integrated into the Namibian society. It appears however that many have not gone through that. Again, I wouldn't want to sound like I am making excuses for them, but just like in a noisy classroom, not everyone is guilty of that noise. If punishment is given to the whole class it is because the whole class refused to point out who the culprit is. I think in this case the culprits are known, it is better rather that as a society and as a government we must blame the trouble maker and not the whole exile kids. I may be wrong in this but let us hear what others have to say.

# Chinese bahaba fish sold at \$216,700



**BEIJING**, — With a swim bladder said to be more than worth its weight in gold, this extremely rare 34-kilogram Chinese bahaba was sold for 1.48 million yuan (\$216,700) to a merchant in Cangnan, Zhejiang Province on June 7. The fortunate fisherman

sumamed Chen said his boat was heading home after half a month of fishing on June 6 when he told his companions, "Let's cast another net. We will be home soon." When net was pulled up Chen was stunned at the sight of the large bahaba. Ecstatically, he shouted to his

crew, "We've got a big prize! Come see - a Chinese bahaba!" The delighted fishermen used ice to cover the 1.2-meter fish. The Chinese bahaba is threatened by massive over-fishing and has been listed as endangered and/or commercially extinct. (**Xinhuanet**)



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## Iran to announce conditions for nuclear talk next week

**TEHRAN**, — Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said Thursday Iran will announce its conditions for nuclear talks with powers next week, the semi-official Fars news agency reported.

Responding to the UN Security Council's sanctions resolution against Iran, Ahmadinejad said "we will announce our conditions for talks with these countries (world powers) next week," the report said.

On June 9, the UN Security Council adopted a resolution to impose a fourth round of sanctions against Iran over its suspected nuclear program.

"By adopting the resolution, they (the powers) made their move and now it is our turn,"



*President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad*

make you regret," he said when addressing a group of Iranian clerics on Thursday, according to Fars.

Stressing that Iran never fears the sanctions, Ahmadinejad said, "Those countries which voted for the resolution do fear themselves since soon after they passed the resolution they declared that they want to talk with Iran," according to state IRIB TV.

"Those countries threaten and think that the Iranian nation are afraid of them, but great Iranians will nullify their threats," he was quoted as saying.

"Iran's enemies are intending to dominate the world via the Middle East, but Iranians will not allow such a thing (to happen)," he added.

The United States and other Western countries have suspected Iran of developing nuclear weapons under the guise of a civilian nuclear energy program, a charge denied by Iran. (**Xinhua**)