Ya Nangoloh’s ‘relatives’ cry foul

We, the under-listed relatives of Mr. Phil ya Nangoloh, from both sides of the patrilineal Aakwaniidhi (i.e. Grass) and the matrilineal Aakwaniidhi (i.e. Hyena), claims, from all over this Land of the Brave, do hereby state that, we have learned with utter disgust and dismay and, hence, we totally reject, with the contempt they deserve, the malicious and defamatory allegations by one Asser Ntinda as published in the 2 July – 8 July 2010 edition, page 3, of Namibia Today newspaper.

What people say

♦ Posted by Salma Netope (Omga)
Congratulations Comrade Dr. Aupindi. It is a wonderful achievement. Wishing you a brighter future.

♦ Posted by Albrecht Schoeres (Swakopmund, Namibia)
I just learned of the award you recently received from the World Travel Awards in South Africa. I appreciate your devotion to your position and wish that we had more leaders like you. Please accept my compliments and wish you happiness and also wish you similar success in the future.

♦ Posted by Cde. Katutura Ka Namibia
Dear Comrades, Libboly Haufiku of RDP should be rest assured that victory always belong to Mighty SWAPO Party. No matter what tactics or strategies, SWAPO will humiliate them time again. That shamefult article will never mislead the Namibian people. The people will reject them together their political colleagues of Phil ya Nangoloh and Gwen Lister.

♦ Posted by www.swapo.org
Comrades, Sign up on Facebook and join the SWAPO Party Fan Page www.swapo.org!!! Let us discuss issues/topics with the Namibian youth, VIVA the Great SWAPO Party of Namibia!!! ALTA CON-TINUA!!

♦ Posted by Lionel Garob (Karibib)
My hat off to Dr. Ben Mulungu, you have put the facts right on The Week That Was on NBC, that essentially what the Namibian people need to know regarding the fake observations by Mr. Haufiku and their political project (RADOPA).

♦ Posted by Oshilongo shapilekundu.
Omusati regim is for all peace loving Namibians. We are patriotic and patriotic tradition... so divide and rule political parties are not welcome, RDP if they not welcomed in the area of how they are dealing with their people...and they can force, force is a crime, and who is Libboly, what a funny !!!

♦ Posted by O RDP with omusati again, they can just leave us alone please, if the party is not attractive to us in the region why they have to force omusati belong to a multi-tradition unlike the division region they are to put up here in the country, they better stop and start behave mentally, physically and emotionally, their hide politics is failed...so what now they even damage the image of kovunany shooting people with their funny style.

♦ Posted by Cde. FLAVIO
Dear comrades, allow me opportunity to contribute critically on the Article written in the two local newspapers which itself demonstrated how disgraced so-called politician have in store for the Namibian people. The Article in question by Mr. Haufiku is a clear demonstration of how SWAPO has been in power.

♦ Posted by James Elijah Ngure
JUST WONDERING:
There are more blacks in Namibia than whites, but more blacks are employed by and looking for work from whites even for cleaning. Some will argue that Government is the largest employer or well may be. But why is that whites seem more able to create jobs than blacks? 20 years after independence, is it still the fault of Apartheid?

Phil ya Nangoloh
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What is happening in the Oshana Region, majestically claims that the “whole family” of Mr. ya Nangoloh “is ashamed” of Mr. ya Nangoloh’s so-called unbecoming behaviour and notorious activities and, further, that wherever everyone of us went, we are “ashamed and shamed like dogs with rabies” because of Mr. ya Nangoloh’s so-called unacceptable behavior. We are not aware of Mr. ya Nangoloh’s so-called unbecoming behavior and notorious activities in this country or even beyond its borders.

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It seems we are going to get more comedies and gaffes from the Rally for Democracy and Progress, RDP, this year and beyond. First it was RDP’s General Secretary, Jesaya Nyamu, who surprised all and sundry last year that RDP “has its people” at State House and in the Namibian Police, advising that those people should not be called “hijackers” because they were on “a mission” and were there for a “purpose.” We all laughed in disbelief when Nyamu blew the gaff, but being an unpredictable character that he is, few people were surprised by the revelation.

Then came RDP’s President himself, Hidipo Hamutena, who was holding off the public eye for several months. This year, he suddenly emerged with an opinion piece which appeared in The Namibian a few months ago in which he quoted a non-existent international organization that had apparently conducted a research and compiled a report on Namibia which revealed that more than “400,000 Namibians were starving.” Of course it was another gaffe and Agriculture, Water and Forestry Minister, John Mutorowa, was quick to remind him that he was not aware of such a report and that the international organization Hidipo quoted did not exist. Hidipo was obviously embarrassed by the error and has never said anything in public since then.

So as they were taking turns to make us laugh, Libboly Haufiku, RDP’s Secretary for International Relations and Director General of Administration, came up with another comedy. He repackaged himself early this month into some sort of a researcher. His research topic was “Is Omusati Clique real or imagined?”

He put together some figures and facts lifted from websites to prove that Omusati Clique did indeed exist and that there were people who were advancing the interest of Omusati Clique at the expense of other people. But his figures, which he failed to critically examine to develop a theory, did not add up. He also failed to tell us what the interest of Omusati Clique was and how those who were advancing its interest had benefitted economically, socially and politically by advancing the interest of Omusati Clique.

That proof was necessary if his arguments were to be taken seriously. He did not give us proof because there was nothing that would validate his claims. If anything, he has only succeeded to show us that he is a tribalist himself. In psychology, that is called projection – seeing in others what you are. There is no need to go though the hassle of actually claiming something that is not even from Omusati Region. And it appears that there are many tribalists in RDP.

This early year, Dr. Abisai Sheyavali, wrote a piece in The Namibian, still talking about “tribalism” and how people from Omusati Region were being “appointed at the expense of other Namibians.” He cited Helao Nafidi Town Council as an example, claiming that the Council was about to appoint its Chief Executive Officer from Omusati Region.

He claimed that this was “tribalism,” but when he was told that the person the Council wanted to appoint was from Ohangwena Region, he kept quiet. He later had to apologize to the Council for his baseless allegations. For him, everything Ohangwena is fine; everything Omusati is bad! Where will this nonsensical arrangement take us to?

Just as Mischake Muysongo’s world began and ended in Caprivi, Libboly’s world, too, begins and ends in Ukwanyama. For him, everything Ukwanyama is fine, anything else is not good. That is Animal Farm politics. The fact that he identifies people by their tribe speaks volumes about his so-called adherence and subscription to One Namibia, One Nation. Interesting, too, in his research, Libboly left out some ministries and institutions headed by people from Ohangwena Region. That omission is glaring and it, too, reeks of tribalism.

True, tribalism is cancerous. It eats away at the fabric of our society. The Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, as we knew it, was destroyed by people who thought and acted like Libboly. They started by counting heads at every institution, seeing a Slovenian here and a Serbian there. Tribalism raged on. What followed later was a terrible civil war that left thousands of people dead.

The tribal card being touted by RDP is nothing but another attempt at instilling fears in the minds of the people and make it “it’s central plank around which to peg its campaign strategy. It thinks it is wise to keep the spectre of tribalism hanging over the heads of Namibians like the proverbial Swords of Damocles. RDP is starved of issues to discuss with the people. That was the same quagmire in which Muysongo had found himself in the mid-1990s. By pursuing a tribal card, it will not be long before RDP suffers the same fate.

What Libboly is advancing is an exercise in self-emption. He will not ride that horse for a long time. If Libboly was concerned about tribalism, he should simply take a closer look at the composition of the members of the central committee of RDP itself and start from there. I am not at all suggesting that we should subscribe to that famous Jewish proverb in which three apes adopted an attitude simply take a closer look at the composition of the members of the central committee of RDP itself and start from there. I am not at all suggesting that we should subscribe to that famous Jewish proverb in which three apes adopted an attitude

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