

**INTERVENTION ON THE 2011/2012 BUDGET
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THANK YOU HON. SPEAKER FOR GIVING ME THE FLOOR TO MAKE MY BRIEF COMMENT ON THE 2011/2012 BUDGET AS PRESENTED BY THE MINISTER OF FINANCE, HON. SAARA KUUGONGELWA-AMADHILA

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**HON. SPEAKER,
HON. MEMBERS,**

THE BIGGEST ACHIEVEMENT IN MY MIND FOR THE PAST 21 YEARS IS THE MAINTENANCE OF PEACE, STABILITY AND LAW, ORDER WHICH ARE “CONDITIO SINE QUA NON” FOR SOCIO-POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND INDEED FOR THE RESPECT AND PROTECTION OF OUR CONSTITUTION, THE SUPREME LAW OF OUR COUNTRY. FOR THE PAST 21 YEARS WE HAVE SUCCEEDED TO RESPECT DIFFERENT FUNCTIONS, OF THREE ORGANS OF THE STATE: THE LEGISLATURE, THE JUDICIARY, AND THE EXECUTIVE. FOR THE PAST 21 YEARS WE HAVE RESPECTED THE ‘RULE OF LAW’ EVEN THOUGH HOW COSTLY IT COULD BE, FOR THE PAST 21 YEARS, SWAPO-LED GOVERNMENT SUCCEEDED TO TABLE THE BUDGETS AND WE HAVE FULFILLED OUR CONSTITUTIONAL OBLIGATIONS TO DEBATE ON IT AND PASS IT, FOR THE PAST 21 YEARS WE WERE AND STILL BEING GUIDED BY THE SUPREMACY OF THE CONSTITUTION: THE LAW WE USE SHOULD BE WITHIN THE LETTER AND SPIRIT OF THE CONSTITUTION, THE EXECUTIVE ORGAN IN THEIR IMPLEMENTING ROLES SHOULD DO SO WITHIN THE CONFINEMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION, THE JUDICIARY THEN WHEN INTERPRETING THE LAWS HAVE DONE THAT WITHIN THE LETTER AND SPIRIT OF OUR

**CONSTITUTION-HENCE WE TALK OF CONSTITUTIONAL SUPREMACY –
WHAT AN ACHIEVEMENT!**

THANKS TO THE GALLANT SONS AND DAUGHTERS IN THE UNIFORMS WHO ARE KEEPING PEACE AND STABILITY AND HELPING IN MAINTAINING LAW AND ORDER AS WELL AS THE NAMIBIAN CITIZEN'S RESILIENCE IN RESPECTING THE CONSTITUTION. IT IS AGAINST THE AFORESAID SUCCESSES THAT I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THE SECURITY RELATED MINISTRIES AND INSTITUTIONS FOR HELPING US TO KEEP AND MAINTAIN, LAW AND ORDER, PEACE AND STABILITY I.E. MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, MINISTRY OF SAFETY AND SECURITY, MINISTRY OF JUSTICE, ATTORNEY GENERAL AS WELL AS THE MINISTRY OF VETERAN AFFAIRS AND MEN AND WOMEN AT THE HELM OF THE JUDICIARY. I HAVE NO DOUBTS THE MONEY ALLOCATED TO THESE INSTITUTIONS WILL BE USED TO CONTINUE TO FULFILL THEIR NOBLE CONSTITUTIONAL OBLIGATIONS.

**HON. SPEAKER,
HON. MEMBERS,**

I AM HAPPY TO NOTE THE AMOUNT OF MONEY ALLOCATED FOR HOUSING, PORTION OF IT WILL ADDRESS THE HOUSING NEEDS OF THE POLICE OFFICERS WITHIN THE MINISTRY OF SAFETY AND SECURITY. A HOUSE IS NOT A LUXURY BUT A NECESSITY. WE HAVE TO REMIND OURSELVES THAT THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE AS WELL AS MINISTRY OF SAFETY AND SECURITY HAVE BEEN THE BIGGEST EMPLOYERS OF YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN WITHIN NAMIBIA, HENCE

THE JUSTIFICATION OF BIG AMOUNT OF MONEY ALLOCATED TO THEM, WHICH NEEDED TO GRADUALLY TOP UP INCREASED.

- **LEGISLATIVE REFORM**

**HON. SPEAKER,
HON. MEMBERS,**

WE ALL KNOW THAT HUMAN BEING'S, NEEDS AND BEHAVIORS ARE DYNAMIC AND NOT STATIC – HENCE THE DYNAMISM RESPONSES TO THEM: OUR PEOPLE ARE FACING MANY CHALLENGES SOME OF WHOM SHOULD BE ADDRESSED BY COMING UP WITH NEW LAWS OR REVISING THE EXISTING ONES: HENCE I WOULD LIKE TO REPEAT TO WHAT I HAVE ON A NUMBER OF OCCASIONS PROPOSED THAT: THERE IS A NEED FOR CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW COMMISSION TO LOOK PERIODICALLY ON THE POSSIBLE AMENDMENTS OF THE CONSTITUTION.

- **THE LAW ON TRESPASSING SHOULD BE AMENDED TO ALLOW FOR EXAMPLE GIVEN OFFICIALS, TO ENTER PRIVATE PROPERTY TO ENFORCE THE CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS VS THE WORKFORCE WHICH ARE LOCKED UP IN THOSE FARMS.**
- **THE FINANCE ACT SHOULD ALSO BE AMENDED TO ENSURE FOUR TREATMENTS: FOR EXAMPLE THE INTEREST ACCUMULATED BY INDIVIDUALS IF HE/SHE OWES GOVERNMENT MONEY, SUCH INTERESTS SHOULD ALSO BE PAID BY THE GOVERNMENT TO INDIVIDUALS.**

- **THE TENDER BOARD BILL WHICH WILL COME SOON, SHOULD CONTAIN A PROVISION OR IN ITS REGULATIONS: MECHANISMS TO CHECK AND ENSURE THAT THOSE WHO WIN THE TENDER ARE IN FACT EMPLOYING A REASONABLE NUMBER OF PEOPLE ACROSS THE BOARD.**
- **EDUCATION SECTOR**

**HON. SPEAKER,
HON. MEMBERS,**

WHILE RECOGNIZING THE EFFORTS OF THE FOUNDING MINISTERS AND PERMANENT SECRETARIES IN EQUALIZING EDUCATION SECTORS WHICH WERE DIVIDED ON THE BASIS OF COLOR AND ETHNIC AS WELL AS OTHER EFFORTS BY OTHER MINISTERS IN THE FIELD, I WILL FAIL BY DUTIES IF I DO NOT APPLAUDE THE CURRENT EFFORTS OF CURRENT EDUCATION TEAM LED BY DR. ABRAHAM IYAMBO AND HIS DEPUTY DR. DAVID NAMWANDI! COMRADES "YOU ARE DOING WELL" CONTINUE AND IMPROVE EVEN MORE! KEEP ON LISTENING TO THE CITIZENS IDEAS AND PROPOSALS, AND WHERE YOU CAN IMPLEMENT THEM. FOR SOME OF US LIKE ME, WE HAVE A LOT TO LEARN FROM YOU: "THE ART OF EFFECTIVE LISTENING, THE ART OF STRATEGY AND SKILLS AND OF TEAM WORK: THE ART OF PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTING!

NEARLY ALL MY PROPOSALS I HAVE BEEN SAYING DURING MY PREVIOUS BUDGET CONTRIBUTION AND ELSEWHERE CONCERNING

THE CHALLENGES FACING EDUCATION SECTOR HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTED.

- **THE FLOOD**

**HON. SPEAKER,
HON. MEMBERS,**

MUCH HAVE BEEN SAID AND PROPOSED ON THIS THREAT: THE STATE OF EMERGENCY HAVE BEEN DECLARED BY THE PRESIDENT. WHAT I WOULD SUGGEST: PERHAPS WE NEED NATIONAL FORUM OF ALL LOCAL ENGINEERS AND OTHERS WITH RELATED KNOWLEDGE TO COME TO DELIBERATE AND STRATEGIZE ON HOW TO TURN AROUND THIS NATURE MADE THREAT IN TO AN OPPORTUNITY: SOMETHING COULD BE DONE, EVEN IF THIS TAKES TIME, I FOR SURE BELIEVE THAT SUCH PHENOMENON HAPPENS JUST TO TRIGGER OUR BRAIN TO THINK:

- **STRENGTHENING ACCOUNTABILITY OF PARLIAMENT'S STANDING COMMITTEES SYSTEM**

**HON. SPEAKER,
HON. MEMBERS,**

WHILE I RECOGNIZE THE FACT THAT THE PARLIAMENT COMMITTEE SYSTEM HAS GROWN FROM ITS EMBRYONIC STAGE (1996) TO ADOLESCENCE STAGE AS WELL AS THE SERIOUSNESS AND IMPORTANCE OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF STATE THEY ATTACH TO

SOME REPORTS BY IMPLEMENTING SOME RECOMMENDATIONS OF SUCH REPORTS, MUCH NEED TO BE DONE TO IMPROVE THE IMPORTANCE, THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEES, THEIR EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS: HENCE THE FOLLOWING PROPOSAL:

- **WITHIN THE MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THE NAMIBIAN VISION 2030, PROVISION SHOULD BE MADE FOR AUTOMATIC REFERRAL OF BILL TO THE RELEVANT PARLIAMENT STANDING COMMITTEES, BEFORE THE BILL IS BEEN DISCUSSED DURING THE SECOND READING. TO ENSURE THAT COMMITTEES CARRY THEIR FUNCTIONS EFFECTIVELY, THEY SHOULD BE EQUIPPED WITH SKILLED TECHNICAL PERSONNEL, RESEARCH DESK SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE PARLIAMENT, LEGAL DRAFTERS MUST ALSO BE ALLOCATED WITHIN THE RELEVANT STANDING COMMITTEES OF PARLIAMENT, FINANCIAL RESOURCES, AND INCLUSIVE MOBILITY TO ENSURE THAT INDIVIDUAL PARLIAMENTARIANS CONSULT THE ELECTORATES AT THEIR CONSTITUENCIES LEVELS.**
- **THERE SHOULD BE A STRUCTURE TO BE DECIDED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMPONENT OF OUR LEGISLATURE TO ENSURE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN THE REPORTS FROM VARIOUS STANDING COMMITTEES. AND THE COMMITTEES SHOULD BE EMPOWERED TO FOLLOW UP IN THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS AND HOLD THE RELEVANT MINISTRIES/INSTITUTIONS ACCOUNTABLE. THE MONEY USED BY THE COMMITTEES ARE PUBLIC FUNDS, SERIOUSNESS SHOULD BE ATTACHED TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEES.**

- **IF THE COMMITTEES RECOMMEND IN THEIR REPORTS THAT BUDGETARY ALLOCATION SHOULD BE AFFECTED TO SOME PROJECTS OR INSTITUTIONS THAT SHOULD BE REFLECTED IN THE NEXT OR FUTURE BUDGET PROVIDED SUCH REPORTS HAVE BEEN ADOPTED BY PARLIAMENT.**
- **SOME REPORTS LIKE THE OMBUDSMAN'S REPORT WHEN TABLED BEFORE PARLIAMENT SHOULD BE AUTOMATICALLY BE FORWARDED FOR DISCUSSION AND REFERRED TO THE RELEVANT COMMITTEE FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION AND CONSULTATION; LIKE, THE AUDITOR-GENERAL'S WORK HAND IN GLOVES WITH THE PUBLIC ACCOUNT COMMITTEE, SO SHOULD THE OMBUDSMAN WORK HANDS IN GLOVES WITH THE CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. ALL THREE ORGANS OF THE STATE; THE EXECUTIVE, THE JUDICIARY AND THE LEGISLATURE SHOULD WORK TOWARDS THE FULFILLMENT OF THE GOALS AND ASPIRATIONS CONTAINED IN VISION 2030.**

**HON. SPEAKER,
HON. MEMBERS,**

FOR THE PAST 21 YEARS WE HAVE FULFILLED OUR CONSTITUTIONAL OBLIGATIONS OF REGULAR APPROVAL OF BUDGETS, WE HAVE SUCCEEDED TO MAKE LAWS WHICH ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF OUR PEOPLE, WE HAVE RATIFIED MANY MOST IMPORTANT REGIONAL, CONTINENTAL AND INTERNATIONAL INSTRUMENTS. WHAT WE NEED

TO IMPROVE ON ACROSS THE BOARD IS EFFECTIVELY IMPLEMENTING THEM TIMOROUSLY.

- **ATTACK ON LIBYA-WAR OF AGGRESSION**

**HON. SPEAKER,
HON. MEMBERS,**

ALLOW ME TO ASSOCIATE MYSELF WITH THOSE WHO ARE CONDEMNING THE ATTACK ON LIBYA, BY NATO AND USA.

THE WAR IN LIBYA REMINDS ME OF THE LIBERATION WAR WE HAVE UNDERGONE WHERE WE HAVE SEEN THE FRENCH MIRAGES, NEARLY ON DAILY BASIS FLYING FROM THEM UNDEMOCRATIC SOUTH AFRICANS TOWARDS ANGOLA: THE DESTINATION WAS TO ATTACK THE CAMPS OF SWAPO: IT ALSO CAUTION ME, THAT ONE'S ENEMY NEVER SLEEP, THESE PEOPLE ARE ALWAYS COMING BACK. THESE PEOPLE ARE PLANNING DAY AND NIGHT HOW TO KEEP AFRICA: "IN PERPETUAL TUTELAGE" THEY WILL COME IN DIFFERENT FORMS AND SHAPES THEY COME UP WITH DIFFERENT INTERPRETATIONS OF TERMINOLOGIES WHENEVER IT SUITS THEM: HENCE NOWADAYS ONE HEARS THE REPLACEMENT OF THE FOLLOWINGS:

- **REBELS VS CIVILIAN-LED UPRISING**
- **JUSTIFIABLE COUP' ETAT VS UNJUSTIFIABLE COUPE'TAT**

- **JUSTIFIABLE CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES OF GOVERNMENT VS UNJUSTIFIABLE CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES OF GOVERNMENT**
- **THEY TERMS “DEMOCRACY” DIFFERENTLY WHENEVER IT SUIT THEM**
- **THEY JUSTIFY THE ATTACK ON LIBYA UNDER THE DISGUISE OF THE PROTECTION OF CIVILIANS, WHEREAS THE MAIN MOTIVES IS TO GET THE RICHES OF AFRICA : NOTABLY IN THE CASE OF LIBYA “OIL”**

THEY COME UP WITH INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT (ICC) JUST TO TARGET SOME AFRICAN LEADERS AND OTHER LEADERS WHO DOES NOT DANCE TO THEIR TUNES! HENCE THE URGENT CALL TO REVISE/REVIEW THE ROME STATUTE WHICH ESTABLISHED ICC TO INCLUDE “INTER ALIA” THE ACTS OF AGGRESSION AS A CRIME AGAINST HUMANITY!

ONE CAN ASK A QUESTION: COULD ALL THESE BEING DESCRIBED AS GLOBAL DEMOCRACY IN DILEMMA?

**HON. SPEAKER,
HON. MEMBERS,**

DIVIDE AND RULE POLICY HAVE DEEPLY PENETRATE AFRICA, THAT’S WHY THEY SUCCEEDED AND WILL CONTINUE TO SUCCEED TO EXPLOIT THE RICHES OF AFRICA, UNLESS WE STAND UP AND TALK WITH ONE VOICE AND ACT TOGETHER!

IN CONCLUSION, ALLOW ME, TO QUOTE FROM MY 2001/2002 BUDGET SPEECH, WHEN I SAID: "THE REGULAR TABLING OF BUDGETS SHOULD NOT ONLY BE SEEN AS THE FULFILLMENT OF CONSTITUTIONAL OBLIGATION ON THE PART OF THE NAMIBIAN GOVERNMENT, LED BY SWAPO-PARTY, BUT SHOULD ALSO BE SEEN AS A TRUE REFLECTION OF THE DEMOCRATIC VALUES AND TRANSPARENCY OF THE GOVERNMENT. IT IS A MIRROR THROUGH WHICH UNIQUE FEATURES AND CHARACTERISTICS OF SWAPO-PARTY LED GOVERNMENT COULD BE CLEARLY SEEN AND RECOGNIZED"

THANK YOU, HON. COMRADE SAARA KUUGONGELWA-AMADHILA AND YOUR TEAM FOR KEEPING THE MIRROR CLEAN AND HOLD THE TORCH HIGH.

I SUPPORT THE 2011/2012 BUDGET,

I THANK YOU!