

NAME OF THE GROUP: !Ae-!AEXAS Community

MOITTO: RETURN OUR LAND

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### INTRODUCTION:

FORE THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LAND REFORM AND THE LAND QUESTION DUE ON THE 25TH JUNE 1991 TO 01 JULY 1991, THE !Ae-!AEXAS COMMUNITY HAS THE FOLLOWING (STATEMENTS) TO PRESENT. THE !Ae-!AEXAS HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED ON THE 01 MAY 1991 SO AS TO REPRESENT THE DISPLACED COMMUNITY OF THE REGION AS IDENTIFIED UNDER THE "HISTORICAL BACKGROUND"

### HISTORICAL BACKGROUND.

!Ae-!AEXAS REGION IS SITUATED IN THE IMMEDIATE WEST OF WINDHÖEK, APPROXIMATELY ± 20 KM FROM THE CITY CENTRE. BECAUSE OF ITS MOUNTAINOUS (HILLY) APPEARANCE, NORMALLY REFERRED TO AS KIRIMAS HOCHLAND THE PEOPLE CALLED THE AREA !Ae-!AEXAS (MEANING LITERALLY PEOPLE FROM THE NECK). THE DAMARA-TRIBE INHABITED THIS REGION (SINCE) FROM THE 17TH-18TH CENTURIES BEFORE THEN THERE WERE NO OTHER HUMAN BEINGS UNTIL THE EUROPEANS INVADDED THE REGION AND MOVED THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE TO OTHER ARID AREAS SUCH AS, SORRIS-SORRIS; GKONDANE, ETC. (SEE APPENDIX A - MAP)

SOME OF THE SIGNIFICANT FEATURES WITH HISTORICAL IMPORTANCE TO IDENTIFY THIS REGION WITH ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- (i) THE DECEASED LEADERSHIP OF THE 18TH CENTURY MR. ALFEUS HARAGEB UNDER WHOM THE DAM WAS BUILT ALFEUS DAM. (NOW CALLED DAM VUJDEI MR FRANS MPESEMAB; UNCLE TSEKHUEB ETC.
- (ii) SOME OF THE SPRINGS CALLED, #AREXAS; TARADI DAMS; KAMIDAI SAUB ETC. THE RIVERS CALLED /OASER, KHAMA!NA//KHUB, KURIA!NAB ETC.
- (iii) APPROXIMATELY 12 SMALL FARMS CALLED //KHAOS, /OASER, #GAWA!NAS. TSAUROR, HAKOS, #AREXAS (WITH THE SCHOOL AND CHURCH) ETC.
- (iv) RUINS OF GRAVEYARD, SCHOOL, CHURCH AT #AREXA AND SOME OTHER FARMS. THE LAST FUNERAL SERVICES TOOK PLACE IN 1950'S

FOR CONFIRMATION AND REFERENCES THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE FROM THE /AO //AREXAS REGION ARE STILL ALIVE.

- (1) ADOLFINE /MOWASES. (KATUTURA WINDHOEK)
- (2) ENIESER /GASER (KATUTURA WINDHOEK)
- (3) LEVI KHARIGUB (SORRIS-SORRIS)
- (4) JOEL #EIXAB (KATUTURA WINDHOEK)
- (5) ANNA /GASES (GROMBAITE)
- (6) EDDIE GARISER (GROMBAITE)
- (7) ABRAHAM GARISER (SORRIS SORRIS)

## Aims and Objectives

SINCE THE IAC-NAEXAS REGION WAS ONE OF THE MOST FERTILE REGIONS IN THE COUNTRY BECAUSE OF ITS GOOD RAINFALL, THEY WERE (IAC-NAEXAS COMMUNITY WAS) FORCEFULLY DRIVEN AWAY BY THE WHITE MINORITY. (THROUGH THE ORDONALS PLAN OF 1960'S DIVIDE AND RULE) - SEE APPENDIX BIC MAP)

TO ADD TO THIS, THE WHITE FARMERS WHO TOOK OVER THE REGION (AND CALLED OTHER NAMES) DISRUPTED OUR CULTURAL AND TRADITIONAL BEING BY DESTROYING OUR GRAVEYARDS, CHURCH, SCHOOLS AND MANY OTHERS.

CONSEQUENTLY, THE IAC-NAEXAS COMMUNITY IS ALSO AMONG ONE OF THE OVERCROWDED (PEOPLE) CONCENTRATED FARMERS AT ONE SMALL PIECE OF LAND CALLED COMMUNAL LAND.

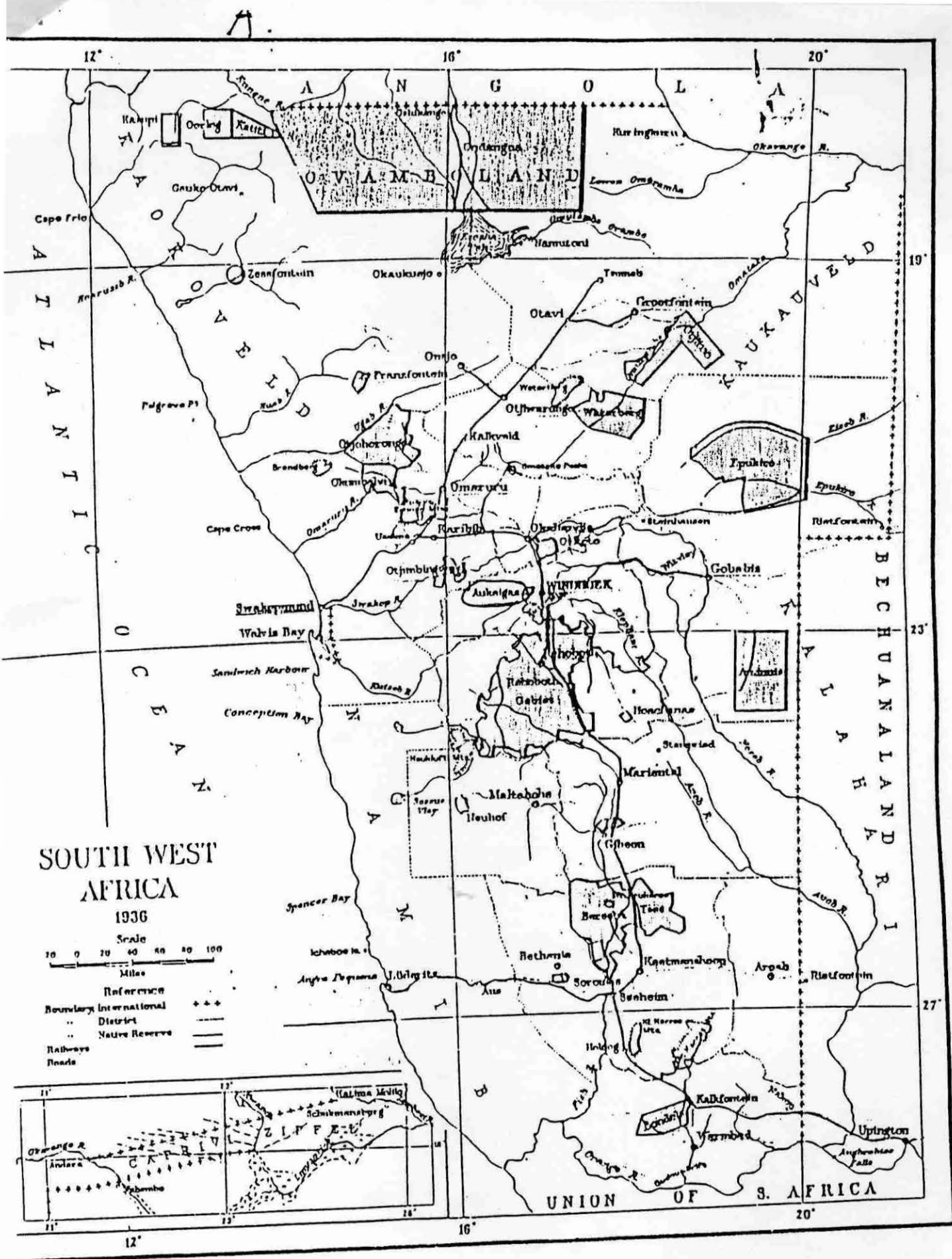
TO REDRESS THIS SITUATION AND TO PROMOTE THE NATIONAL RECONCILIATION PROCESS, OUR AIM IS TO INFLUENCE THE GOVERNMENT BY ITS LAW MAKING CONCERNING THE LAND REFORM AT THE FOLLOWING BASIS:

1. WE WERE FIGHTING FOR THE LAND AND CANNOT TOLERATE TO BE DISPLACED ANY MORE
2. WE WANT TO FARM SO AS TO BE SELF RELIANT
3. WE WANT TO SEE OUR GRAVEYARDS TO PROTECT FOR GENERATIONS.

CONCLUSION

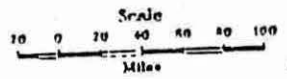
IN CONCLUDING THIS STATEMENT OUR STRONG  
SUGGESTION TO THE GOVERNMENT IS TO  
LOOK SERIOUSLY ON TO THE DECISION FARMS  
WHOSE CUSTOMERS ARE FOREIGNERS; FARMS THAT  
ARE UNDERUTILIZED; FARMERS WITH TOO  
MANY FARMS

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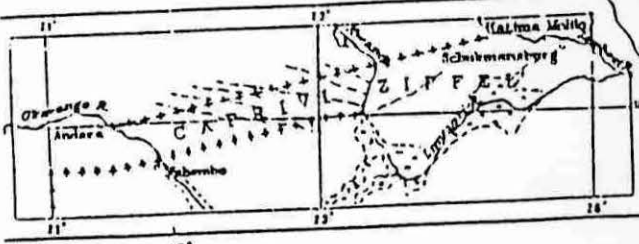


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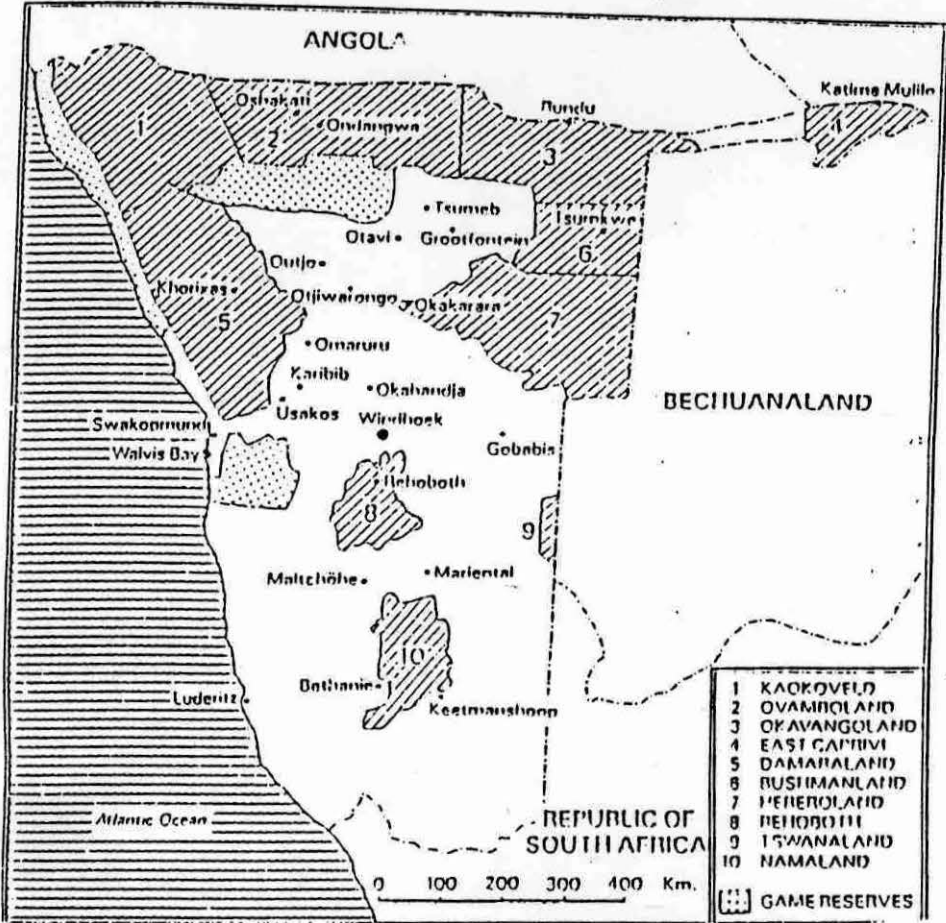
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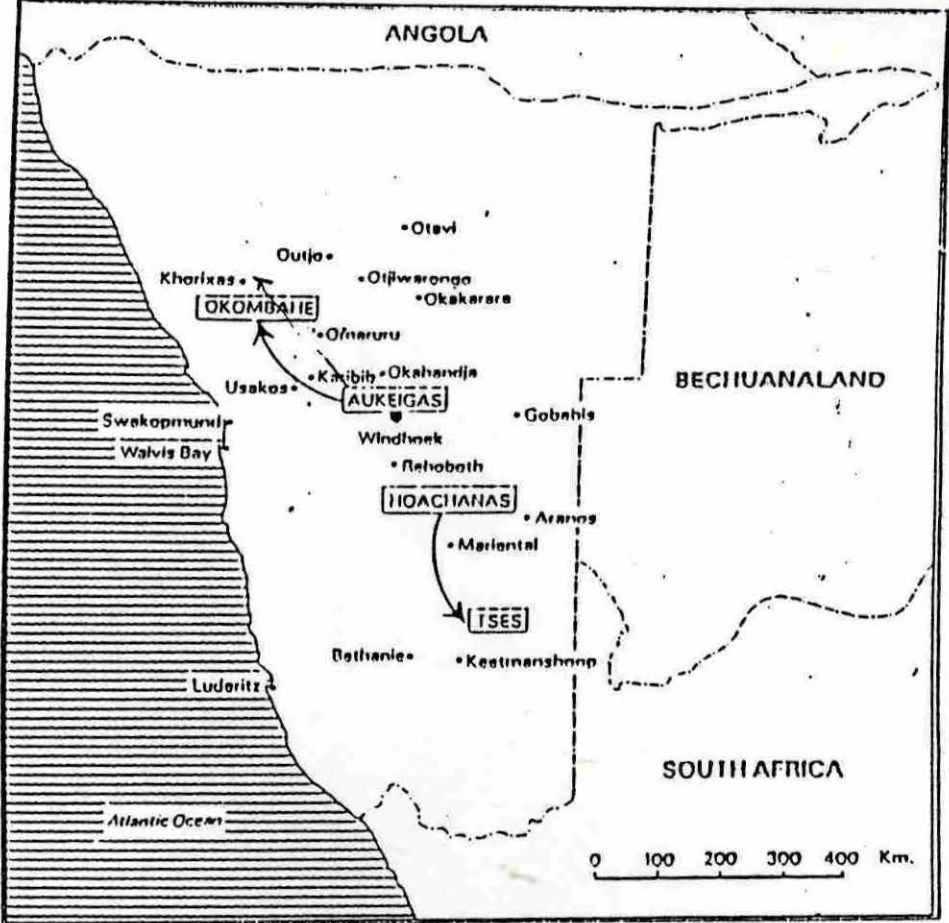


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1963 Odendaal Plan: Creation of Territories and Communal lands of Namibia.

B.



1950. Residue of Forced Removals in Namibia |