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 Former Farmers Association

Having been fully mandated by the community of Epukiro, I would like to state my personal view not based on statistics but on the reality:

i) The re-distribution of land is a matter that needs ~~an~~ immediate attention of both the government and the landowners for at present our community are not landowners.

ii) We are not historians to narrate the historical background of Namibia but we are however, aware of the land taken away illegally. Just as we are aware of the land theft so too do we regard ourselves as legitimate owners of the fertile land of Namibia.

Those who claim the fertile land to be the rightful property, Mr Chairman, differentiate the validity between rightfulness and legitimacy, which I will respond as being the latter. The land belongs to the people and should be given back with or without compensation.

I Thank You

(6) THE FAIRLY-WEALTHY-TO-DO COMMUNAL FARMERS SHOULD BE HELPED FINANCIALLY TO BUY FARMS ETC.

P5. DUAL FARMING MUST BE PROHIBITED BY LAW.

1.2 HAVING REDUCED THE NUMBER OF COMMUNAL FARMERS, THE FOLLOWING SHOULD BE DONE:

a) DEVELOPE THE UTILISED LAND AND COMMERCIALISE IT AND THEREBY FURTHER REDUCING THE INHABITANTS IN THE COMMUNAL AREA.

b) FENCE AND DEVELOPE THEN THE COMMUNAL AREAS INTO PRODUCTIVE UNITS AS WELL AS ECONOMIC UNITS FOR NEW PROSPECTIVE COMMERCIAL FARMERS.

2. THOSE COMMUNAL AREAS WHICH HAVE NO ADJACENT UNUTILISED LAND SHOULD BE EXPANDED.

3. THOSE FENCES WHICH WERE WITHOUT PROPER MEASUREMENTS AND CONSULTATION SHOULD BE CRITICALLY ~~REVIEWED~~ REVIEWED.

4. CREDIT FACILITIES SHOULD BE CREAT

5. LOCAL INSTITUTIONS SHOULD BE SET UP FOR BETTER CONTROL AND MANAGEMEN.