

APPENDIX B: PUBLIC CONSULTATION



As Israel struck Qatar, South Africans saw echo of last decade of apartheid

In the 70s and 80s, South Africa bombed or raided Zambia, Angola, Namibia, Zimbabwe, Botswana, Mozambique. Israel has attacked eight nations this year.

By Gershwin Wannenburg

Gonda Perez remembers the day South Africa's apartheid regime bombed a refugee camp in the Zambian capital, Lusaka, during an air raid. It was in the mid-1980s. Perez was working as a dentist at a local hospital at the time and saw about 10 victims brought in on trucks serving as makeshift ambulances. One of the victims is etched in her memory. "I stood in casualty and I watched people come in with wounds, horrible wounds," said Perez, now 69. "One man that I remember had blood spurting ... so obviously it hit an artery or something out of his back ... There was blood all over the show and it was really horrible to look at." That day, Perez said, the South African Defence Force (SADF) had meant to strike members of Umkhonto we Sizwe (MK), the military wing of the African National Congress (ANC), which led the struggle to end racist white minority rule in South Africa in 1994. But they hit civilians instead. Perez, who was an ANC member living in exile after fleeing South Africa in the 1970s due to her political activities, witnessed several SADF bombings and raids across regional countries at the time. She says the Lusaka raid was one of many such "mistakes" committed by the apartheid army due to faulty intelligence. For her – and many observers posting on social media – those bombings also have shades of the Israeli military's attack on Qatar last week, which aimed to hit the leadership of Palestinian group Hamas, among them senior leaders Khalil al-Hayya and Khaled Meshal. Instead, it killed al-Hayya's son, Humam, as well as an aide, three bodyguards, and a Qatari security officer, in a residential suburb in Doha that is also home to embassies, schools and supermarkets.



Apartheid South African military forces on the border between Namibia and Angola under a banner saying "Wolfsbosse Winers", on August 30, 1988. (File: Walter Dkhaidi/APF)

The attack came at a time when Qatari officials, who are central mediators in talks between Israel and Hamas, had been trying to broker a ceasefire in Gaza, where Israel has killed more than 65,000 people since launching its war on the Palestinian enclave two years ago. A United Nations inquiry and leading scholars have declared the killings in Gaza a genocide. Israel's occupation of the West Bank has also become increasingly violent, and it has launched attacks on neighbouring countries, citing various threats. Over a 72-hour period this month, Israel struck Palestine, Yemen, Syria, Lebanon, Tunisia and Qatar. This military escalation is reminiscent of the brutal assaults the apartheid regime launched on its neighbours in the decade or so before its demise, analysts note, as it attacked countries including Zambia, Angola, Namibia, Zimbabwe, Botswana and Mozambique. Like Israel today, apartheid South Africa justified its incursions as necessary to fight its "terrorist" enemies, a claim which helped

both countries win support from the United States. "Similar to Israel's recent actions, South Africa's military action abroad relied on targeted attacks against ANC leadership and safehouses, as well as other activists," said Sonja Theron, a lecturer in security studies at the University of Pretoria. Apartheid assassinations included shootings and bombings, with civilians often caught in the crossfire.

"The disregard for international law, particularly sovereignty, is also similar," Theron noted. Over the last two years, Israel has struck and killed Hamas members in Iran and Lebanon, while its military also bombs sites associated with Hezbollah and Yemen's Houthis, groups it says it targets for their support of Hamas. Civilians have also been killed in these attacks.

Similarly, apartheid South Africa's cross-border attacks aimed to neutralise the MK and other regional liberation organisations which were granted refuge and support by the "front-line states", a loose coalition of African countries committed to ending apartheid and white minority rule.

An 'intimate' connection

Observers note that the parallels between Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's government in Israel and the apartheid regime are far from coincidental.

Apartheid was officially instituted in South Africa in 1948, the same year the state of Israel was born.

Both nations used religious justification to promote an ethnonationalist ideology, and both defined themselves by their struggle against a similar enemy, with the apartheid National Party and the Zionist state each vying themselves as an oasis of Western civilisation surrounded by hostile native peoples, researchers say. *Aljazeera.com*

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REZONING NOTICE	VACANCY NOTICE	PUBLIC NOTICE	PUBLIC NOTICE
<p>Notice is hereby given that Afrishine Investment Co. intends to apply to the Rundu Town Council and the Urban and Regional Planning Board on behalf of the registered owner of Erf 16, Kaisosi for the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> REZONING OF ERF 16, KAISOZI FROM "RESIDENTIAL" TO A DENSITY OF 1:300 TO "HOSPITALITY" TO OPERATE A GUEST HOUSE CONSENT TO COMMENCE WITH THE DEVELOPMENT WHILE THE REZONING IS IN PROCESS <p>The rezoning of Erf 16, Kaisosi as well as the consent use sought would increase the development potential of the erf by ensuring the erf is more efficiently utilized and that mono-functionality of the surrounding neighborhood is countered. Additionally, the proposed development would enable the owner of the property to thus cater towards the need to contribute towards the hospitality industry of the town.</p> <p>Take note that a similar notice of the intent to rezone, have been posted on site, published in the Government Gazette as well as on the Notice Board of the Rundu Town Council. The consultation with neighboring erf owners duly took place too.</p> <p>Take note that any person objecting to the proposed rezoning as set out above may lodge such objection together with the grounds thereof with the Chief Executive Officer, Rundu Town Council, Private Bag 2028, Rundu and/or the applicant in writing within 14 working days of the publication of this notice.</p> <p>The last date for comments/objections is thus 17 October 2025.</p> <p>Applicant: Afrishine Investment Co P O Box 793 Swakopmund Mobile: +264 81 3236024 E-mail: @frishineinvestment75@gmail.com</p>	<p>Employment Offered</p>  <p>Chemp's Mining Investment (Pty) Ltd Namibia</p> <p>Chemp's Mining Investment is looking for experienced and skilled professionals to join our team in Erongo, Namibia. We offer a dynamic work environment and opportunities for growth.</p> <p>Positions Available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rotas Core Drill Operator: A skilled individual with 5-7 years of operating experience with strong mechanical and maintenance knowledge to operate, service and maintenance of Core Drill machines. Index Drill Rig Operator & Mechanic: A skilled individual with 5-7 years of operating experience with strong mechanical and maintenance knowledge to operate, service and maintenance of Drill Rig. Hyundai LC-230 Excavator Operator & Mechanic: A skilled individual with 5-7 years of operating experience with strong mechanical and maintenance knowledge to operate, service and maintenance of Excavator machine. Finance Controller: A skilled individual with 5-7 years of experience and a degree in Finance Management to ensure accuracy compliance and financial health of institution. Senior Geologist - Iron-Ore Mining: A degree in Mining and Exploration Geology. 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Selected candidates will receive detailed roles and responsibilities upon appointment. <p>Application Process: Interested candidates should send their CV to chempmining@gmail.com Application Deadline: 30th September 2025</p>	<p>CALL FOR REGISTRATION AS INTERESTED & AFFECTED PARTIES</p> <p>ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED PROSPECTING IN RESPECT TO BASE AND RARE METALS, DIMENSION STONE, INDUSTRIAL MINERAL AND SEMI-PRECIOUS STONE ON MINING</p> <p>CLAIMS 70.330 - 70333, ERONDOO REGION</p> <p>PROJECT SITE AND DESCRIPTION</p> <p>Botsa Mining and Stone Processing (the Proponent), intends to apply to obtain an Environmental Clearance Certificate for their proposed prospecting activities in respect to Dimension Stone, Base and Rare Metals, Industrial Mineral and Precious Metals on an approximate area of 70.63 Ha in the Erongo Region. The key component of the proposed activity entails geological mapping and survey and manual sample collection for laboratory analysis, and small-scale mining operation. Access to the sampling or survey sites will be by existing tracks and on foot where vehicle access is limited.</p> <p>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS</p> <p>Enviro-Leap Consulting invites all Interested and Affected Party (I & AP) to register and receive Environmental Assessment (EIA, Scoping and EMP) documents relating to the proposed project for their comments and input. Interested and Affected Parties are herewith requested to register by writing to us at the address below no later than 19 October 2025.</p> <p>Interested and Affected Parties are herewith requested to register by writing to us at the address below no later than, 26 September 2025.</p> <p>COMMENTS AND QUERIES</p> <p>Please register and direct all comments, queries to:</p> <p>Mr. Lawrence Tjaitindi, Environmental Assessment Practitioner Email: ocp.trigen@gmail.com</p> 	<p>CALL FOR REGISTRATION AS INTERESTED & AFFECTED PARTIES</p> <p>ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED SOIL SUBSTRATE EXTRACTION AND UTILIZATION OF BLIND SAND ALONG THE B4 ROAD ON ENTRY INTO LUDERITZ TOWN, [KARAS REGION]</p> <p>PROJECT SITE AND DESCRIPTION</p> <p>TradePort Namibia (Pty) Ltd (the Proponent), intends to apply to obtain authorization or an Environmental Clearance Certificate for the extraction sand material by scrubbing dune sand off the B4 Highway servitude for utilization as a pipeline stabilizing substrate against geological activity. The activity is temporary in nature and only limited to a duration (not more than six months) of obtaining a volume of about 16 000 m³ (spread across 160 trucks, each carrying 20 m³ and over five trips per truck). The sand will be hauled by road to Farm Skoopplas No. 414 irrigation project North of Naute Dam.</p> <p>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS</p> <p>Enviro-Leap Consulting invites all Interested and Affected Party (I & AP) to register and receive Environmental Assessment (EIA, Scoping and EMP) documents relating to the proposed project for their comments and input. 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Fuel Stations Urged to Embrace EV Charging Ports

Loise Shimi

Economist Josef Kefas Sheehama has advised entrepreneurs, particularly those who operate fuelling service stations, to begin installing charging ports for electric vehicles (EVs).

He believes this initiative presents a valuable opportunity, rather than solely focusing on traditional fuel sales.

"If your station is located in an area with existing electric vehicle owners, now is the time to learn how charging ports operate and consider installing one. If your business does not adapt to developments in technology, you will be left behind," he cautioned.

He urged service station owners to embrace innovation and upgrade their facilities, asserting that those who fail to install charging ports risk losing business.

"I understand that the transition may be challenging and costly, but it is far better than the risk of losing customers who switch to electric vehicles in the future. Thus, it's important to acknowledge that not all vehicles will be electric hybrid cars, which can run on fuel and are also rechargeable, but will still play a significant role," he stated.

Sheehama shared this insight with Eagle FM following the City of Windhoek's recent inauguration of an EV charging port as part of its 'Zero Emissions Week.'

He said public awareness regarding the transition to electric vehicles should be enhanced to reduce reliance on fossil fuels and enhance environmental sustainability.

Sheehama also acknowledged that EVs tend to be expensive, particularly for low-income earners who might be interested in them. He noted that if green hydrogen technology becomes more prevalent in the country together with home solar panels, many individuals can install charging points at their homes, allowing them to charge their vehicles more affordably.

"The government needs to subsidise electric vehicles or create tax incentives to make them more affordable. However, some individuals may prefer to observe the performance and safety of EVs before making a purchase," he explained.

Furthermore, retraining is essential to ensure that employees at service stations are not left without jobs, as the country gradually transitions. Similarly, computer science and technology analyst Aron Indongo echoed Sheehama's sentiments, sharing a similar message to service station owners.

"Those who supply fuel are also becoming aware of technological advances, and they may eventually transform fuel energy into electrical energy, possibly even supplying electrical batteries for charging instead of traditional fuel," he mentioned. Indongo emphasised that now is an opportune moment for service station owners to research charging ports to prevent potential losses in the future.

When asked how motorists can be incentivised to purchase electric vehicles, Indongo noted that numerous people are still uninformed

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ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED PROSPECTING IN RESPECT TO BASE AND BARE METALS, DIMENSION STONE, INDUSTRIAL MINERAL AND SEMI-PRECIOUS STONE ON MINING CLAIMS 76330 - 76335, ERONGO REGION

1. PROJECT SITE AND DESCRIPTION

Reda Mining and Stone Processing (the Proponent), intends to apply to obtain an Environmental Clearance Certificate for their proposed prospecting activities in respect to Dimension Stone, Base and Rare Metals, Industrial Mineral and Precious Metals on an approximate area of 7043 Hm in the Erongo Region. The key component of the proposed activity entails geological mapping and survey and mineral sample collection for laboratory analysis, and small-scale mining operation. Access to the sampling or survey sites will be by existing tracks and on foot where vehicle access is limited.

2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

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3. COMMENTS AND QUERIES

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about EVs and stressed the necessity for marketing initiatives to raise awareness. "Car dealers should organise more showcases for potential buyers to test drive these vehicles and actively promote the benefits of electric cars. This is crucial for generating interest, otherwise, many will hesitate to invest in a car they know little about," he said.

He also made note of the opportunity for individuals to pursue courses in mechanical and electrical vehicle technology, aligning their careers with this emerging trend and enabling them to maintain these vehicles effectively.



No More Exclusive Arrangements in Telecommunication Infrastructure

Nghinomenwa-vail Hangala

The Communications Regulatory Authority of Namibia (CRAN) has stated that the high court ruling on the exclusive infrastructural use arrangement between the two telecommunication giants and NamPower has cemented its stance on telecommunications infrastructure inclusivity.

This was stated by the telecommunication sector regulator this week.

On 31 July 2025, the High Court delivered its judgement regarding the tripartite lease agreement of June 2012 between MTC, Telecom Namibia, and NamPower. The Court ruled that clause 3.2 of the agreement between the 3 parties, the automatic renewal clause, was invalid under Regulation 17(2)(b) of the Infrastructure Sharing Regulations.

CRAN commended the ruling for confirming the legal termination of the agreement on 31 May 2022 when its 10-year term expired.

"This judgement provides clarity on the application of Namibia's Infrastructure Sharing Regulations. It affirms that exclusive agreements for access to essential facilities such as fibre networks are not permissible," CRAN wrote in a statement.



Photo: Contributed

CRAN chief executive Emilia Nghikembua explained that the exclusive arrangement by the 3 entities undermines competition and prevents other licenced operators from gaining fair access to critical infrastructure, contrary to the principles of fairness, non-discrimination, and open access.

In 2022, CRAN received a complaint from MTN Business challenging the legality of the agreement. CRAN intervened by declaring the exclusivity and automatic renewal provisions void, refusing to recognise the continuation of the agreement beyond its initial term.

According to CRAN, the agreement entrenched dominance and undermined consumer welfare by restricting competition, delaying infrastructure rollout, and limiting affordable access.

MTC and Telecom Namibia challenged CRAN's decision before the High Court, alleging procedural unfairness and disputing the validity of Regulation 17(2)(b).

CRAN filed a counter-application, seeking confirmation that the automatic renewal clause was void and that the agreement had legally ended on 31 May 2022.

The regulatory authority explains that it acted to uphold the integrity of Namibia's regulatory framework, safeguard consumer interests, and promote fair competition by ensuring that access to fibre infrastructure is governed by openness and non-discrimination. CRAN added that the latest judgement strengthens Namibia's digital ecosystem and supports the country's national digital transformation and economic development goals.

At the same time, the regulatory body noted that the ruling also reinforces CRAN's mandate to promote competition, ensure equitable access, and advance the growth of a dynamic and inclusive digital economy.

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"The ruling ensures that operators seeking access to infrastructure are accommodated on equitable terms. This will stimulate investment, accelerate the deployment of broadband and next-generation technologies, and expand coverage into underserved areas.

Consumers will benefit directly from greater choice, improved service quality, and more affordable connectivity," Nghikembua stated.

In 2012, NamPower, MTC, and Telecom Namibia entered a tripartite agreement for the lease of NamPower's dark fibre for telecommunications services.

This agreement granted MTC and Telecom exclusive access to NamPower's fibre and included an automatic renewal clause that perpetually extended the agreement.

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