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## **MANIFESTO**

## Introduction

We are using the 2014 elections to propagate the following enlightenment for the working people of this country:

On 13 November 1970, the Namibian nation called together the National Convention at Rehoboth where national groups were represented by their respective leaders including the SWANU and SWAPO. It was to be a united front for the liberation of Namibia from South Africa. In January 1971 the UNO declared SWAPO a tribal organization the Sole and Authentic Representative of the Namibian People, thereby renouncing the right to self-determination of the Namibian People.

The UNO subsequently renounced the representative status of the leaders of the different national groups and thus opened the way for the South African sponsored Turnhalle Conference in 1975 and the Conscription Act in 1977. We the present leaders of the WRP – then leaders of the SWAPO Youth League – with others led the Anti-Conscription movement, which was opposed by the SWAPO leadership in exile.

The Anti-Conscription movement led to mutiny within the SWATF and soldiers who escaped fled into exile to Angola and Zambia where they were forced to confess to being spies and all of them were killed.

In 1982 the "Five Western Powers" with South Africa and the UNO agreed to so called National Reconciliation in which the SWAPO and South African sponsored parties would reconcile to leave the colonial economic situation as is.

SWAPO willingly not only reconciled with the colonial ruling classes, it became the white corporate ruling classes' boss-boy, but seized N\$36 million of the SWATF/KOEVOET pension. These soldiers were demobilized and immediately became victim of Labour Hire and dire exploitation as part of the lower working classes.

The SWAPO leaders now use their phony liberation status to refuse to give back the stolen pensions.

The SWATF/KOEVOET represent in every respect the plight of the working classes of Namibia.

For this reason, we the WRP have integrated this group of soldiers to give them the respectable political home which they deserve.

Our election campaign is based on the following:

1. We, the W.R.P, go to Parliament to speak over the heads of the Bourgeois parliament, to the masses of the people. We have no regard for the Namibian Parliament as it is an institution of capitalism and in a backward country like this it takes absurd forms in which it is a mere rubber stamp for legislation and decisions of the big corporations and the banks. We cannot speak of taking over parliament as the elections have already been rigged with inaccessible electronic voting machines made in India.

- 2. We are using these elections to advance the demands of the working class including the poor peasantry and in particular the demands of the SWATF/KOEVOET families and relatives, in relation to stolen pensions, loss of income and losses in general through economic sanctions, marginalization, victimization and discrimination, landlessness and homelessness.
- 3. We will articulate and support the demands of the Herero and Nama people for War reparations for Genocide (1904-8) from the German State.
- 4. We will put forward the seizure of our Natural Resources to enable us to fund the upliftment of the working class and poor peasantry in general and the neglected SWATF/KOEVOET soldiers in particular.
- 5. We will put forward the immediate cessation of the wanton sale of our natural resources through Exploration Licenses (EPL's) with seizure of it without compensation, to enable us to fund the upliftment of the working class and poor peasantry.
- 6. The demands of the SWATF/KOEVOET will also highlight the demands of the working class in general.
- 7. We will further advance the demand for basic needs of the working class families to be provided and subsidized by the government on the first tier level (Municipalities), housing, water and electricity, public transport, clinics, kindergartens, sport and recreation facilities, etc to be brought to the people.
- 8. We will advance taxation for excesses and demand <u>living</u> wages tied to the rate of inflation (and not minimum wages).
- 9. We will demand land to the landless and subsidies for the upliftment of the poor peasantry
- 10. We commit ourselves to rebuild the 4<sup>th</sup> International with the world's working classes, the subregional working classes of Angola, Zimbabwe, Zambia and in particular South Africa with which we share a common political history.

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Authorised Representative.