



MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCES BY THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE, HONOURABLE PENDA YA NDAKOLO, MINISTER OF DEFENCE OF THE REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA AND MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT, TO THE FAMILY OF THE LATE PERMANENT SECRETARY PETRUS SHIVUTE WHO PASSED AWAY ON THE 29TH OF OCTOBER 2017

Dear Mrs. Loini Talitshi Shivute and Children

Friends and comrades of Comrade Petrus Shivute

Dear Mourners

It is with deep sorrow that the Ministry of Defence learned about the sudden death of the late Permanent Secretary of Defence, Comrade Petrus Shivute, who passed away on 29 October 2017 at the Roman Catholic Hospital in Windhoek.

We at the Ministry sympathize with the family, friends, and comrades of the late Comrade Petrus Shivute during this difficult time as we all get through this painful departure, which has removed from all of us a reliable source of support and inspiration to the family and friends alike.

Many of us have known Comrade Petrus Shivute as a comrade, a fellow freedom fighter, a brother, a friend, a brave soldier, a leader, a political commissar and a trusted compatriot whose immense contribution to the attainment of Namibia's liberation and independence will forever remain written in gold letters in the books of the glorious history of Namibia.

The indisputable contribution made by Comrade Shivute to the development of the Defence and Security Sectors of Namibia after independence, especially in his capacity as Permanent Secretary of the Ministry Defence since 2003, shall not be forgotten.

At this critical juncture, our wish to the family is to remain strong during the mourning of Comrade Petrus Shivute and to have enough strength to pull through this grief in order to honour and inherit his exemplary life and values for the benefit of younger generations.

On behalf of the Ministry of Defence, and indeed on my own behalf, I would like to convey our deepest condolences to you, the bereaved family, relatives, friends, and comrades of Comrade Petrus Shivute.

May The Outpouring Of Love Surrounding You At These Testing Times Comfort You!

May The Almighty God Comfort And Wipe Your Tears Away During This Difficult Time.

May The Soul Comrade Petrus Shivute Rest In Eternal Peace!

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MINISTER OF DEFENCE**