

Namibia: A Security threat called AFRICOM

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You might not know or heard about AFRICOM. If you saw the name once, you might have dismissed it thinking AFRICOM is a new company to sell cement like Afrisam. Some might conclude that since it has a 'com' at the end, maybe it is something online.

These are wrong conclusions. At the end of this column, you will know what AFRICOM is, its activities and why it is a security threat.

AFRICOM, standing for Africa Command, was established by blood-covered former US President George W. Bush and his Secretary of Defence Robert Gates. You will notice that Robert Gates has continued with his duties under Obama who misled many of you except me. The idiots believed AFRICOM's raison d'être is terrorism in Africa. I would not expect you to know AFRICOM's mission statement since many of you don't read.

Allow yourself an education as I make it known that the AFRICOM mission statement is "United States Africa Command, in concert with other U.S. government agencies and international partners, conducts sustained security engagements through military-to-military programs, military-sponsored activities, and other military operations as directed to promote a stable and secure African environment in support of U.S. foreign policy." Meaning AFRICOM is a fundamental tool of US foreign policy.

We will return to it later. It's ok that you didn't know, even your leaders, many without education, didn't know. AFRICOM is headquartered at Kelley Barracks, Stuttgart in Germany and is led by General Carter Ham.

Why and how is AFRICOM a security threat to Africa? Firstly, its mission suggests so. In a 2009 journal article on Contemporary Security Policy, Laurie Nathan exposes four key fundamental principles as regards to AFRICOM. The author correctly argues that AFRICOM, in undermining state sovereignty, will "alter the regional balance of power, and be divisive and destabilizing...It would undermine the unity and collective decision-making." AFRICOM was to be located in Africa, General Ham probably plans to locate it in countries such as Botswana and Namibia with pro-western leadership.

Locating AFRICOM in Africa is a military opportunity for America to overthrow African governments and to attack countries seen as anti-American. Since African and American interests never gel, it would mean that AFRICOM would pursue American interesta, on African soil, at the expense of African interests. Those with a sharp medulla oblongata know that AFRICOM is undermining the African Union (AU) and its Peace and Security Council which deals with peace and security on the continent. We might as well sell the AU to Americans.

I had mentioned American foreign policy. In this domain, Nathan (2009) sees American foreign policy in light of its "unsympathetic attitude to the liberation movements, its unwavering support for Israel despite the illegal occupation of Palestine, its exceptionalism in relation to the International Criminal Court, and its long history of unilateralism, aggression, and disdain for international law...pursues its own interests at the expense of others, and is willing to deploy force offensively to advance those interests." So if AFRICOM is to achieve its mission statement we discussed earlier, Africa must support and embrace the above as discussed by Nathan.

As your teacher, I need to share recent information made available to us by Wikileaks.

A communication cable dated on Monday, 11 January 2010, at 17h30 UTC, indicates a meeting of AFRICOM Commander's with French officials on Aqim and other African Security Threats. The meeting, held in Paris, was attended by President Sarkozy's Diplomatic Advisor Jean-David Levitte, Sarkozy's Military Advisor, Admiral Edouard Guillaud; they and others briefed then-U.S. AFRICOM Commander General William E. Ward. Wikileaks has also revealed to us how AFRICOM planned the assassination of legendary Robert Mugabe and the fall of his government through the so-called Operation Shumba. (Damn bastards, may God bless Zimbabwe.)

AFRICOM Commander General Ward visited Namibia in early 2010.

Reading his report was so disgusting in many ways. He referred to my country as "Southwest Africa." Clearly Americans still use lenses of Cold War geopolitics.

General Ward met with Health Minister Dr. Kamwi, and they apparently discussed how AFRICOM "could help the Namibian military and U.S. country team efforts to assist in health related issues." At a meeting with the Ministry of Safety and Security, they discussed supporting the then "upcoming Namibian police visit to Ramstein Air Base in Southwestern Germany."

The American was dignified with a fifteen minute appearance on Good Morning Namibia, with Kazembire Zemburuka, in order to brainwash, hypnotize and shower us with American propaganda. General Ward met Education Minister Abraham Iyambo to discuss the school AFRICOM will build in northern Namibia. Lastly and shockingly, he met with the then-Defence Deputy Minister Lempy Lucas. He said "it was very gratifying to hear Ms. Lucas praise our bilateral relationship and her wish to see Africa Command play a greater role in military-to-military relations in the future." (what?). A close friend said General Ward met significant others not mentioned.

These cosmetic initiatives are not genuine, the devil's initiatives are never genuine. These are attempts to win the hearts and the minds of the Namibian people.

What is in it for them anyway? Also monitor and analyze the work of MCA very closely.

There is no good devil, the good devil is the dead one.

This is enough for today, add me on Facebook for a more robust engagement of these issues.

'Shaamonathana omuti nomuti' - We shall meet again

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