

# KAMBWILI IS GOING INSANE ...he provoked the cadres who attacked him - Mumbi Phiri

By Zondiwe Mbewe

PF deputy Secretary General Mumbi Phiri has charged that Chishimba Kambwili is going insane and she does not want to be part of those who are responding to his political rantings. And Mumbi says PF cadres harassed Kambwili because he was making running commentaries in church when President Edgar Lungu was paying tribute to late Michael Sata. On Saturday, Kambwili held a press briefing alleging that Phiri and Lusaka Province youth

chairman Kennedy Kamba colluded with Lands Minister Jean Kapata to organise PF cadres who poured Chibuku Shake-Shake on him at Sata's mausoleum. **To page 5**

## 5 injured in bus accident

By Linda Jere

Southern Province Police Commissioner Bonney Kapeso says five people were injured in an accident today involving five vehicles, among them a Mazhandu Family Bus. "No one has died, five people are injured and out of the five only two people are seriously injured and are referred to Mazabuka District Hospital. The five vehicles were descending Munali hills at Dala when the last truck which was Vekon lost breaks and hit the car which was in front impacting a chain reaction into the other vehicles which hit into each other until the Mazhandu bus. The accident occurred around 11:30 hours," said Kapeso.

## Zambia's borrowings exhausted in corruption - Tilyenji Kaunda

Miriam Chabala

Much of Zambia's borrowing ends up in the financing of corrupt deals,

says United National Independence Party (UNIP) president Tilyenji Kaunda.

But Kaunda says there should be no limit to borrowing as long as the money borrowed is used prudently and used to finance reasonable projects that could help the country to pay back its debts.

Speaking in an interview today, Kaunda said President Edgar Lungu was not serious and firm in the fight against corruption because all of the people that surrounded him including investors were corrupt.

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## Muvi TV programme ends in bitter quarrel as guests crush on air

By Mukosha Funga

There was chaos at Muvi TV studios yesterday when MMD faction leader Nevers Mumba got enraged after he was challenged to debate with

the opposite faction's national secretary Raphael Nakacinda. Mumba has accused the television station of trying to humiliate him on a live programme.

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## Police arrest Chinese for making fake Bata shoes

By Patricia Mbewe

The Zambia Police Intellectual Property Unit has seized counterfeit Bata Shoes from a company owned by a Chinese national in Kamwala.

According to a statement issued by police spokesperson Esther Mwaata Katongo today, 2,768 pairs of counterfeit Bata shoes were seized from a company called

Mengulai Company Limited which is owned by Tang Weihua who is aged 42.

"This was after Police received a complaint from Zambia Bata Shoes Company Limited who are the rightful holder of the Bata Brand which is legally registered. The Unit seized 2,768 pairs of suspected counterfeit shoes valued at K68, 800," Katongo stated. **To page 3**

## Police raid on UPND reigniting political tension - SACCORD

Miriam Chabala

SACCORD executive director Boniface Cheembe (r) says there is no difference between the Zambia Police Service and colonialists.

On Friday, heavily armed police raided the UPND secretariat in search of offensive weapons.

The hour-long search, however, did not yield any results.

But in an interview, Cheembe said police were creating an impression as if they were in a war with the opposition.

"We are concerned with what appears to be the continued harassment of opposition political parties in Zambia owing to a recent raid that



was effected by police on the secretariat belonging to the opposition United Party for National Development," Cheembe said.

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Dr Kenneth Kaunda leaves after attending a private luncheon at former first Lady Dr Christine Kaseba's residence, escorted by Home Affairs Minister Stephen Kampyongo. During the luncheon, KK apologised for missing Sata's memorial church service which was earlier held at the Cathedral of the Child Jesus.



# Speak out on violence in PF, Miti tells pastors close to Lungu

*Zondiwe Mbewe*

Alliance for Community Action executive director Laura Miti says if clergymen who are close to President Edgar Lungu want to win back some relevance, they must condemn violence in PF.

In an interview with News Diggers! today, Miti said the attacks on Roan PF member of parliament Chishimba Kambwili during Michael Sata’s memorial was one such issue they could talk about.

“If they are going to be relevant, if the gospel section of the church especially that is so close to the President would like to be relevant, would like to be useful to the country, they need to raise a voice when incidents happen that are a danger to this country. In this case, over the weekend we had an incidence of the violence that happened at the late President Sata’s memorial. The clergy that are close to President Lungu, the violence at Sata’s memorial is the kind of issue that you need to speak out if you are to win back some kind of relevance and respect in the country,” Miti said.

“It is in situations like that, that we expect the church to speak. Not only about the incidence [at the memorial], but the general sense of violence we have in this country and in the ruling party were you will find so much violence. We saw the Copperbelt minister Bowman Lusambo purporting violence, insulting Roan MP Chishimba Kambwili that went viral. So there is a lot of violence within PF and yet there is absolute silence from the clergy that are close to the President.”

She said their silence would make people question their relationship with the Head of State if they couldn’t counsel him.

“So our concern is that we need



to hear them, otherwise we will begin to ask questions of what relevancy they are or what that relationship is like that fails

to correct the presidency and the ruling party when it goes wrong,” said Miti. “There are clergymen that

are close to the President. Everybody knows. They specially declare that the President is chosen by God.

And sometimes we have heard them speak up when they feel that someone has disrespected the President. They speak up

against the oppositions but they tend to be very quiet when something has gone wrong within the establishment.”

## Kwacha depreciation will strain 2018 budget - CUTS

*Mirriam Chabala*

The Consumer Unity and Trust Society says the depreciation of Zambia’s currency to K10 against the major convertible currency will make it more expensive for the country to service debts accumulated in dollars.

CUTS Center coordinator

Chenai Mukumba explained to News Diggers in an interview today that the devaluation in the local currency was likely to put a burden on the 2018 national budget because the country would be financing more than it borrowed. “The depreciation of our currency in the last couple

of weeks by over K10 against the United States Dollar is a very sad development and it’s now more expensive for us to purchase goods from outside the country than before. Importing is very good for foreign exchange because we need to import and export goods to strengthen

our currency but if we don’t import then that means it is going to be difficult for Zambia as a country because this is only going to benefit those who want to buy things from Zambia and it will be cheaper for them to import, it will be too much cheaper for the external market to

buy the Kwacha today given the current circumstances,” Mukumba said.

Mukumba said the devaluation of the Kwacha would place a burden on the 2018 national budget because the country would then be financing more than what it borrowed.

“What this means also is that all of the debt that we accumulated especially in Dollars will become much more expensive for us to service because the Dollar has become extremely expensive and this is going to be a burden on our 2018 budget because then we will be spending money in excess on things that were not budgeted for,” she said.

And Mukumba said she expected the general economic outlook to be difficult for Zambia under the current performance of the Kwacha.

“I think there is a number of very difficult things that are going to happen to the economy given the current state of the Kwacha. One of the things that are going to happen is that the economy is going to face a lot of difficulties, there will be less importation of goods and high exports which is going to benefit the foreign market highly and this will affect the local market and in the process trickle down to the consumers who will suffer the worst by purchasing goods at extremely high prices being the end users,” said Mukumba.



Zambia Army officers during the Trooping and Consencration of Colours parade at Lusaka’s Arakan Barracks on October 27, 2017  
- Picture by Tenson Mkhala



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But Muvi TV general manager Angel Phiri says the station has a mandate to give viewers a balanced position of its programmes. Meanwhile, Mumba’s national secretary Elizabeth Chitika has written a formal complaint letter to Muvi TV saying it was unprofessional for the station to invite a “criminal” to share the platform with the former republican vice-president. Mumba, who was on Muvi TV to discuss the future of MMD, was caught unaware when programme host Master Chimbala told him that he had Nakacinda on a video call to respond to some of his remarks. “I would converse with Mr Mutati, not Mr Nakacinda. He is too low in the structure. So if they want, they can put Mr Mutati, I am the president. If he calls himself the national secretary, he should speak to our national secretary,” Mumba said when he was first informed of Nakacinda’s video call. “He calls himself national secretary but let him speak to his equal number. If Mr Mutati comes, I will stop here and I will speak to him because he claims to have my position... right now you are letting me talk to somebody who really, I have no business talking to.” After noticing that Nakacinda was linked to the live programme through a video connection, Mumba got agitated. “If this is what you wanted to do, you should have told me, it is the responsibility of the station to tell me that they are going to bring someone so low to speak to me. I am not going to subject myself to that. If Mr Mutati is nearby, if he is in the country, put him there and I will speak to him,” said Mumba. And a Muvi TV employee who witnessed the incident told News Diggers! that after The Assignment ended, Mumba complained bitterly and attempted to storm the control room where he suspected Nakacinda was hiding. “He was so upset and the people who were around him were even insulting and shouting things like ‘mwalitumpa sana! (you are very stupid)’. Dr Mumba went straight for the control room upstairs because he thought that Nakacinda was hiding there but the door was locked. After some time he left with his entourage, they were about 16 of them,” narrated the witness. “When they left, Nakacinda was connected back to the programme, and started responding to what Mumba had earlier said. So when the cadres heard, they came back here screaming and looking for the transmitters. We had to switch off some lights so that it could look as though people had left, it was bad. We all scampered because they wanted to beat us up.” Meanwhile, in an interview today, Mumba charged that Muvi TV connived with Nakacinda to ambush him. “We want to know how much money Raphael Nakacinda paid those journalists. The information we have is that they say that they don’t get their money in good time

# Muvi TV programme ends in bitter quarrel

so that’s how they get their money and I think that they made their money on a wrong person. I was their guest and they need to protect their guest, not to embarrass, to ambush or to humiliate their guests,” Mumba said. “I was disappointed that a media house could sink so low as to throw away media ethics and lie that the man just called when he was actually hiding in the building.” Asked if it was true that he almost stormed the control room, Mumba replied in the negative. “Let me just refute that nobody wanted to storm into the control room but what is true is that my team was extremely angry last night...I guess that’s what they want to project but I think what is important is that they assaulted journalism ethics and everything else that they want to say is to try and hide away from the main issue. And that is the issue of bringing someone who is according to us a criminal in the middle of my programme without informing me that that is what they want to do. I think that it is unethical and they are infringing on my rights. I am not aware that anybody went back there, we left immediately after my programme,” said Mumba. And in her letter which was copied to the IBA and MISA, Chitika echoed Mumba’s arguments and demanded an apology. “We demand for a public apology from your station. Dr Mumba is not only the legal president of our party bur former vice-president of this country and deserves respect from your station,” wrote Chitika. Meanwhile, Muvi TV general manager said the station had an obligation to provide the public with balanced discourse. He also said The Assignment was unlike a paid-for political

“Most people get mistaken, when they are invited to the TV, sometimes they are coming to rebut what has been said or alternatively, give an opinion to something new. In that incidence if the producers felt that the questions that were raised needed to have answers, because we have got an obligation to the people, we are not just serving one side. For the producer, what we try to look at is, did you balance everything and was there anything that was a misconduct and if there was misconduct on our team, we will deal with it. And if there is a formal complaint, we would want to hear that complaint and check within our people. If anyone wants to speak, this is the platform and if anyone wants to respond to that, this is the platform. We want people with different opinions to discuss and it will be up to the people to decide over what comes out.”

# Zambia’s borrowings are exhausted in corruption - Tilyenji Kaunda

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“I think whether the budget is big or small it makes no difference because they [government] do make these documents every year but things don’t always turn out as promised. They don’t seem to put their feet down on corruption. President Lungu has not been firm on corruption and he has been seen and heard defending the corruption of the Chinese who are Zambians popular investors... those 1,000, 000 Chinese officials who are making deals with government. Because of that, the way forward for this country will be very slow,” he observed. “But as leaders, we are expected to take a leading role in the fight against corruption, that is why we in UNIP when we were in power we had a leadership code which outlined what a leader could and could not do. So as a leader you don’t have to get resources under your charge for personal use, these resources are for the people of Zambia and you can’t just start using them however you like just because you are President,”

Kaunda said. And Kaunda said there should be no limit to borrowing so long as the borrowed money is used responsibly. “If we don’t borrow the kind of money which is required to sort out our problems then we are going to end up in bigger problems. The principle is that there should be no limit in borrowing but we must be careful that the money which is borrowed goes into production and is spent on reasonable things so that we can be able to pay back. I can give you an example of America, that country has got trillions of dollars in debt but they have got a special way of sorting out their debts so that there can be jobs, wealth creation and development in their country. But if people say don’t borrow so much then it means that we will not be able to get out of this economic crisis because we need to borrow in order to grow but we must not just waste what we are borrowing on financing corruption like what has been happening this country were leaders borrow money for their personal use,” Kaunda said. Meanwhile, Kaunda said UNIP will continue to participate in the countries elections in years to come because it believes that the principle that everyone has got the right to live well in Zambia. “For us we shall continue to participate in all elections to come because our main interest is not about getting into power. Unlike our friends in the MMD who have ended up joining other political parties due to not having a reason for being in opposition and because there main interest was just to be in power, for us we do not exist because of the physical aspect of power, we exist because we believe in the principle that everyone has got the right to live well in Zambia and that is basic reason why we will continue making sure that our people,” said Kaunda.

# Police arrest Chinese for making fake Bata shoes



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She stated that Tang was arrested and charged with possession of trademark replicas among other things. “The suspect has been charged and arrested for the following offence: make, import or have in possession any coverings, labels, reels or any reproduction, replicas or representations of a trade Mark or a mark so nearly resembling a trade mark as to be likely to DECEIVE for the purpose of applying them to goods contrary to section 5 (1) (g) of the Merchandise Mark Act Cap 405 of the Laws of Zambia, sale of goods to which any trademark or a mark so resembling a trade Mark as to be likely to DECEIVE is falsely applied which is contrary to section 6(1) (b) of the Merchandise Marks Act Cap 405 of the Laws of Zambia,” stated Katongo. “The accused person is on Police Bond and will appear in court tomorrow. We wish to take this opportunity to remind members of the public to always be alert when purchasing products such as the Bata shoes and are therefore urged to always buy genuine products from legitimate outlets. We are also warning the traders who are fond of deceiving the public by selling counterfeit products that they should desist forthwith from such vices before they are caught up by the Law.”



# Lungu takes a grilling at Sata’s memorial, but...

By Joseph Mwenda

A tense atmosphere today gripped the memorial church service held in honour of late president Michael Sata as those who served in his administration but are now out, joined those who are still serving under President Edgar Lungu, in celebrating the life of the PF founding father.

Just to give exposition to the narrative from the Cathedral of the Child Jesus, celebrant Catholic Priest Fr Godwin Mulenga confronted the Head of State, telling him to remove people with personal interests from his inner circle.

Then came former first lady Dr Christine Kaseba who narrated how late Sata never changed his phone number after becoming President because he wanted ordinary poor Zambians who voted for him to continue calling and interacting with their leader. This was before former State House press aide George Chellah took to the podium to demand that the pioneers of the Patriotic Front must be honoured and not disrespected. In fact, Chellah ended his speech asking the audience how they would fair if Sata came back to life to question how they were carrying on with his legacy.

Apart from President Lungu, the audience that Chellah, Dr Kaseba and Fr Mulenga were addressing included vice-president Inonge Wina, Secretary to the Cabinet Dr Roland Msiska and his deputy Christopher Mvunga, Speaker of the National Assembly Dr Patrick Matibini, to mention but a few.

Of course PF rebel MP for Roan Constituency Chishimba Kambwili and breakaway National Democratic Congress party leader Mwenya Musenge were present, not to mention Judge Ngoma who was Sata’s bodyguard during the campaign years prior to 2011.

Make no mistake of thinking those who worked with Sata intimidated the current regime because President Lungu was equal to the task, telling off distractors that they never had courage to stand up to the late president, but were forcing him to do wrong.

Anyway, the service started as advertised at 09:15 hours, and the Head of State who was scheduled to arrive 15 minutes earlier, kept ‘English time’, much to the pleasure of St Ignatius Parish priest Fr Charles Chilinda who welcomed him to the Cathedral.

The order of mass saw Sata’s children Mulenga and Chilufya taking part in the Bible reading, while other children Mwelwa and Stella joined Sylvia Chalikosa, Jean Kapata, Samuel Mukupa and Mwamba Peni in offering Prayers of the Faithful. The famous St Ignatius “08:15 Choir” jazzed things up with Sata’s favourite “Tutemwane” song, before Fr Mulenga turned the heat to wake up the elephant in the room.

Fr Mulenga started by telling President Lungu to deal with PF cadres who were above the law. “This culture of cadres, must come to an end. Bakateka (Mr



President) it is now your time to take responsibility. You remember what Sata did that time when there was a contest during an election. We weren’t sure if he had won and there was a potential of chaos. What did he do? He went to the people and spoke to them. If it was other leaders, they would have used the cadres to bring chaos. The culture of cadres must stop. Cadres have no respect for the law. They don’t understand what the law is about. Imagine if you had a lawless guy moving around. It is a danger to himself and others,” Fr Mulenga said.

“Cadres don’t listen to government instructions. They have to be treated individually, give them names, identities and addresses. ‘Iwe Mutale, you did this and we will deal with you in this manner’. If we just deal with them as cadres, we are losing the battle. We cannot continue seeing these people messing around with the way we live.”

He said Sata would have succeeded to reconcile Kambwili with Lands Minister Jean Kapata.

“Sata would have been happy with us to be working together... Iwe uko Kambwili wilalanda ifyo, Naiwe mama Jean the

Babstist, you have to work out your things,” said Fr Mulenga.

“Some of the people in government have personal ambitions which have nothing to do with the nation, and these people must be isolated from the inner circle. We must know that only those who are there to serve should be allowed to be in government. We cannot allow this culture to continue.”

In her eulogy, Dr Kaseba moved a few to tears as she relived the good old days with her late husband.

“He was called many names, some derogatory and some lovingly. Many of you would agree with me that Michael Sata remained true to himself. He even refused to change his cell phone number because he believed that it was the same number that propelled him to the presidency and he needed his people to get hold of him easily. He even refused to change a ka Nokia 3310,” Kaseba said.

“He believed that what he needed to do was adequate using a 3310 and he died while using that same phone which was actually faded. It was a bit embarrassing when we went outside the country and he took out his phone trying to ring and

everyone was looking at this faded phone.”

She described Sata as a forgiving man.

“I choose to remember Michael Sata as a God fearing and very generous man, he gave the last penny out of his pocket, he was honest, compassionate, selfless, humble and a very forgiving person. There were times when we reminded him of what people had done to him and his response was always ‘bushe nimwe baletuka’ (is it you they were insulting?). He would find you praying he says ‘I don’t know which God you pray to because me the God I pray to is a forgiving God. Now if you are telling me that don’t forgive this person then you are wasting your prayers,” recalled Dr Kaseba.

“Brothers and sisters, the man I called my husband never focused on personal enrichment of material possession. The family has been accused of hiding perceived wealth that comes with the Presidency but to those that knew MCS, they will testify that Michael Sata was a man who never believed in personal gain. He focused on working for the good of the country and the people he loved

so much. I remember how in his last days he refused to eat food when many Zambians were going hungry, he had many dreams to do but his plans where in his God’s plans (...breaks into tears).”

After Dr Kaseba, Chellah shared his experience of working with Sata, in a speech that left a lot between the lines for people to read.

“President Sata was the easiest boss to manage because I knew what he stood for and I did not have to guess.” So, all it took to earn President Sata’s confidence, respect and loyalty was to tap into his values of simplicity; forgiveness and reconciliation; resilience and good humour; never to tell or entertain lies and liars; transparency and integrity; a robust work culture even when his health was failing him; and more importantly having a heart for the poor,” Chellah said.

“President Sata did not make any decision unless it was in the interest of the poor. The poor remained close to his heart till his death, and he led by example, thereby challenging those around him to match their word with action. We must not allow this fragile and precious gift of a memorable legacy wither

away due to hatred, divisiveness and opportunism. We should always remember that pioneers deserve to be honored and not disrespected,” said Chellah who summed up his speech with a question: “If Michael Sata walked in here today, and subjected us to an appraisal over this project he left us, how will we fair? How will he rate us?”

President Lungu gave a rather flat, but authoritative speech.

“In our early days of the Patriotic Front, I remember Mr Sata inviting as many people as possible to join the party including those who fought him, some of them physically. There was a time that he proposed that we embrace the now late Willy Nsanda as PF, this was in the aftermath of his having been humiliated and physically hounded out of a Catholic radio station in Kitwe. I recall it was me and Chishimba Kambwili who stood up and said ‘no Mr Sata, you can’t allow Willy Nsanda to join us’. Our leader told us that ‘what kind of leaders are you going to be if you don’t forgive?’ He went further and shamed the two of us by saying ‘me I have forgiven Willy Nsanda, bushe nimwe aumine? (Are you the ones he beat?’ And we were left speechless,” President Lungu recalled.

“The most shameful thing is that some of the people who never had the courage to speak out when Mr Sata was there want to be champions now and derail his vision by telling me to do things which would shame Mr Sata which himself would not have loved to do. So to those of you who want to derail me when I try to emulate Mr Sata by been inclusive, I’m saying you are wasting your time. To those of you who think will derail me from being inclusive, from being reconciliatory, from being of national character, I would just say, don’t waste your time.”

No doubt, Sata’s memorial was memorable in the most unique way. Perhaps, “divided in unity” could describe the atmosphere that characterised the service as there were clearly two political parties led by two different leaders, but known by the one name – PF.

## Diggers Reporter

The case in which four minor PF inclined opposition parties have asked the Constitutional Court to declare President Edgar Lungu eligible to stand in 2021 today failed to take off.

This is because lawyers representing leaders of Christian Democratic Party, Zambia Republican Party, New Congress Party and Citizen Democratic Party; Dan Pule, Wright Musoma, Peter Chanda and Robert Mwanza respectively sought an adjournment to enable them file an affidavit in opposition of Heritage Party leader Brigadier General Godffrey Miyanda’s

submissions.

But Brig Gen Miyanda asked the full bench of ConCourt judges, led by its president Hildah Chibomba, not to prolong the adjournment, claiming he was under pressure from the four petitioners who were accusing him of delaying the main matter with his interlocutory issues.

Counsel for the Law

Association of Zambia and the Attorney General did not oppose to the application for adjournment.

And the ConCourt dismissed arguments by the applicants’ lawyer that the interlocutory applications raised by Brig Gen Miyanda should be heard by one judge instead of a full bench. The lawyers for Pule and others said interlocutory matters such as those raised

by Brig Gen Miyanda ought to be heard by a single judge, which application Attorney General Likando Kalaluka supported.

But judge Mungeni Mulenga said the arguments were premature as there was already an application to adjourn the case.

The lawyers for UPND and LAZ, who are interested parties in this case, however did not agree with the

reasoning of the petitioners. They contended that there was no law which stopped the full court from hearing an interlocutory matter.

Brig Gen Miyanda wants the petition to be dismissed because it has no locus standi as they were leaders of their own political parties and could not speak for President Lungu.

The case comes up on November 15, 2017.

# Preliminary issues stall Lungu’s eligibility case



# Chilufya is treating senior doctors like dogs - Kambwili

*By Mukosha Funga*  
Roan PF member of parliament Chishimba Kambwili says Minister of Health Dr Chitalu Chilufya is treating his former bosses like dogs so that they can feel his weight. Last week Thursday, in his debate on the Civil Service Commission, Kambwili said a lot of doctors were complaining that they

had been removed from managerial positions to being general practitioners despite not doing anything wrong. “I have a number of doctors that have been removed and are complaining; Dr John Mwewa, Kitwe central hospital removed; Dr Luckson Kasonka, UTH removed; Dr Manawa, Ndola central removed; Dr George Chipulu, Kabwe general hospital

removed; Dr Chola, Kabwe mine hospital removed; Dr Muntanga Lewanika removed; Dr Mutotoki, Kasama general hospital; Dr Kunda, Mansa hospital; Dr Kelvin, Nchanga hospital removed, and this doctor removed as medical superintendent from Chingola and taken to Chainama hospital as a general practitioner. You can only move people in

those circumstances under disciplinary matters. If they have not committed any offence, you go and remove them? He has worked for 25 years in government as an administrator you go and bring someone who has worked in the ministry for four years to come and supervise the one who was a supervisor,” said Kambwili. But Dr Chilufya told the

House that Kambwili lied on the floor of the House when he said some senior doctors had been demoted in an unconstitutional manner. He also said Kambwili had admitted to him that he wouldn't have debated in the manner he did if he had gotten enough information about the doctors in question. “Some of the names that I was hearing there, are names of individuals who deserve to be de-registered because of their malpractice. You can't just come here with half baked information and start castigating government. Mr Chairman, let's be serious. There is time that you can walk across and ask the minister 'what is the issue with colleague X' and we will explain. Mr Chairman I must emphasize, I engaged my elder brother honorable Kambwili after his debate and I gave him information on some of the names that he gave me and he confessed, 'I wouldn't have debated like this if you had told me all these things. I was looking for you.' Mr Speaker, it costs nothing for us to engage. And I am happy to report that he would not have debated in that manner had he engaged me before. Mr Chairman, that's why it is important for our colleagues on the left to be present, to listen and to listen to the responses on the allegations they make,” said Dr Chilufya.

babumwena from the output. Look at the hospitals today, the hospitals are very dirty, there are no blankets but Chilufya wants to carry [himself] as if he is hardworking, wanting every time to be on TV, even when he visits a clinic he wants to show off but where is his performance? There are no drugs in hospitals. When you go to hospitals they are very dirty! Go to UTH, go and see. Mr Sata was Minister of Health, let Chilufya pick a leaf from what Mr Sata did. Mr Sata never transferred and demoted people at the rate that Chilufya is doing it. He has messed up the ministry.” He said Dr Chilufya's justification that the transfers were to enhance performance in the ministry did not make sense; citing an example of a highly trained doctor who was being underutilized.

But at a media briefing at his house on Saturday, Kambwili insisted that some doctors were being unfairly treated and underutilized. “I discussed with him only one person, Dr Kasonka who was executive director at UTH. What he told me was that Dr Kasonka was transferred to Ndola Central Hospital as executive director then he did not like Ndola and he opted to say transfer me back to Lusaka and let me work in the hospital as a consultant. So I said had I seen you, I wouldn't have mentioned Dr Kasonka in my discourse. But for the other doctors, they have been treated like idiots, they have been treated like dogs by that Chilufya and they are saying most of them were his seniors but he is throwing his weight to show them that he is minister and he is now in charge. Trying to treat those people that supervised him before like small boys and government is letting him do that. I don't think it is right for the minister to get involved in issues of staffing at the ministry,” Kambwili said.

“Chilufya is the most unpopular Minister of Health among the health workers here in Zambia. If the president wants to find out, let him appoint an inquiry. The people in the Ministry of Health today, their level of performance is very low because of Chilufya's conduct. And let me tell Chilufya, bu administrator or bu minister



Health Minister Dr Chitalu Chilufya during Youth Day celebrations in Lusaka - picture by Tenson Mkhala

## Kambwili is going insane - Mumbi

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“I am extremely disappointed that honourable Jean Kapata, Mumbi Phiri and Kamba could organise co-boys from Inter City and other bus stations to come and attack me at the memorial service of the late Mr Sata. This is extremely disappointing. I never ever thought that they would sink so low. Those boys and girls who were at the church were genuine PF members, they refused and you sent for co boys from Inter City and some other bus stations in Lusaka and those are the ones who came and attacked me. You can imagine, at the funeral of Mr Sata, pouring Chibuku on me by the co boys. Kicking and damaging my vehicle,” said Kambwili. But Phiri doubted if Kambwili's mental faculties were intact, saying the PF rebel member of parliament was practicing politics that suggested that he had a disorder in the head. “To find that Kambwili is even mentioning my name is laughable. And I have resolved not to be part of the politics which are being practiced by Kambwili were he disrespects people. You can insult them and then

you call those politics? No I have refused. You have heard what he said not about me, about my husband that he cannot afford to buy tissue. I have refused to comment because I don't want to be part of people who are going insane,” Mumbi said. “If you look at some of our politicians, the way they are behaving, you would think they have some mental disorders in their heads. So I don't want to be part of that. I have a bigger picture of looking after the Patriotic Front and our membership. So to waste time responding to Kambwili, I will not do that.” She denied having been present when the cadres attacked Kambwili. “I left early just before the program finished at church because I had to go and receive her honour the vice president at the mausoleum. They came and even when they came I didn't even see Kambwili. I only saw him inside the mausoleum. And when the Vice-President left, its me who escorted her to the car. When the car left, my car came. I got into the car and went home. So when those things were happening I wasn't even there. I was already on my way

going home,” Phiri explained. She however said the Cadres were incensed by the remarks Kambwili made in Church. “What happened was, we where at church and when the former first lady [Christine Kaseba] was making an eulogy to the late President, Kambwili was passing commentaries. When the President stood up to give his speech, Kambwili was running commentaries behind where he was sitting, disagreeing with what the President was saying. Maybe some of those youths who we can't identify were incensed by Kambwili's behaviour in the house of God. That behaviour, I don't think it can be accepted by any normal, thinking Zambian. So its very difficult to even identify who was doing that because it is Kambwili himself who was misbehaving in church,” said Phiri. “But from the video which is circulating on social media, I saw some of our youths. If really it was planned, how do we have some of our provincial officials like [Stanley] Chumya, Kalembe, who were trying to protect Kambwili? How could it happen like that?”

“There is nothing to write home about Zambian hospitals. The people are just going to these hospitals because they have no option. If people had options, nobody can even go to government hospitals under Chilufya. So let that boy stop talking too much and concentrate on the job. I went to Kasama Hospital, abantu balala pa mattress yeka yeka. Bambi kufimba fye ifitenge fya PF (people sleep on a bare mattress, some cover themselves with PF campaign material), there is no linen and that boy Chilufya wants to behave as if he works so hard, let him take a leaf from what Mr Michael Sata did and if he wants politics, I am a better politician than him by far.”



# Farmers who kept their maize will get a good deal in December - Siliya

*Sipilisiwe Ncube*

Agriculture Minister Dora Siliya says farmers who stored their maize will sell their produce for a good deal in December and January when prices swell.

Speaking when she featured on ZNBC's Sunday Interview, Siliya however, noted that millers would not be able to buy maize that was not kept properly.

"30 percent of the crop is lost because of the storage challenges. Sometimes the farmer might not like the price this time, but by December, the price will be higher. Why? Because this crop would have been dwindling from export, from consumption. We start waiting for the new crop. So the price of the current crop goes up by December to January. But if the farmer can't store properly, no miller is going to buy it so sometimes a farmer can be able to wait for the future. But if he has no proper storage, that becomes a challenge. We are working with ZAMASE to try and work on the storage system, a warehouse system that should be able to support farmers even if they can't afford it on their own," Siliya said.

Asked if she was struggling to manage the agricultural sector, Siliya said the insinuation was surprising because the sector was just taking off.

"I would be surprised with that statement but again at the congress, somebody else captured the point at which Zambia's agriculture is, and they said that it is not a sleeping giant anymore, it is awake, its eyes are darting all over the place. And what we are trying to do in government is we are trying to inject the giant that is awake now with the right energy so that it can really take off. And what are we doing? Clearly on the national level, we have spelt out the plan in the 7th National Development Plan. In the Ministry, we had the second agriculture policy introduced so that we are consistent," she said.

"We also have a very clear agricultural investment plan which is part of the comprehensive Africa Developmental program. We are making sure that we just do not look at the farmer's activity on the farm but what happens beyond the farm. We are looking on the issues of storage, we are looking at grain beyond rainfall, agriculture with irrigation program, we are looking at issues of mechanization. Once you have cultivated, you have irrigation, we want to improve productivity, we want to improve efficiency. We are looking at innovative ways to finance agriculture, we are looking at how women and the youth can play a bigger role in agriculture, we are looking at developing new agriculture towns and this is what the farm blocks are about."

And Siliya said government would this year spend K1.7 billion on paying one million



Agriculture minister Dora Siliya addresses farmers during the Zambia National Farmers Union (ZNFU) annual congress at Mulungushi International Conference Centre in Lusaka on October 26, 2017 - Picture by Tenson Mkhala

farmers as supplementary funds.

"Government will this year spend K1.7 billion paying it as cash to farmers. Each farmer will get about K1,700 on the card, they will contribute themselves K400. Now what this means is that government

is saying, our goal will be targeted to those farmers on the list, we will give them the money, they will make an informed decision as private sector because, don't forget farmers are private sector. They will make an informed decision, a business decision

on their own," Siliya said.

"I know that everybody kept talking about last year. Now let me repeat this, agriculture is not just about one year, no. agriculture is a long term process, it is a long term activities and we have to monitor it over a period

of time, maybe at least five years to see how well we have done. Now this year, it will be 100 percent E-voucher. What that means is this, government is going to pay one million farmers who are on our database. We have got a consolidated database that

was sitting in various places and consolidated it using Smart Zambia Institute and we cleaned up this database to ensure that their IDs, we can verify their registration cards and tie it to the face so that there are no more ghost farmers and abuse."

Meanwhile, Siliya said government would only intervene in the market for the good of citizens.

"If production continues to increase like we have seen this year 3.6 million metric tonnes of maize, there is no need for government to intervene in the market. Government can only intervene in the market for the good of the citizens. Now in the process of intervening, one group might be hurt, in this case, it was the grain traders because they had the maize, government had no maize, millers had no maize, the citizens had no mealie-meal. So government is a responsible government, an elected government had to do the right thing knowing that some people will be hurt, but we had to do a bigger good for the public. It was a one-off decision and we continue to be consistent that we encourage exports especially of agriculture exports. It will be unthinkable for us not to encourage exports when we know clearly the link to the price for the farmer and his livelihood," said Siliya.

# Police raid at UPND reigniting political tension - SACCORD

*From front page*

He noted that Zambia had made strides in recovering from political tension.

"As a country we have made major strides to try and bring about unity, peace and reconciliation in this country, to bring about major stakeholders in our political society together in the national dialogue process. But without us being in that spirit of reconciliation even on the national day of prayers, then there is nothing that we can achieve. The fact that we continue to see some of these raids means that we didn't listen even to the advice of international stakeholders like the Professor Gambari who came to facilitate peace," Cheembe said.

"To that effect, if there are any issues that are of concern to the Zambia police service, we want to appeal to them to call opposition political leaders to a round table to discuss some of these matters so that they are able to be ironed out to avoid giving an impression that somehow there is some kind of war or battle between the

Zambia police service and opposition political parties. That is not a good thing and if there are such battles between police and the people they are supposed to be protecting then there is no difference between the now Zambia Police Service and the colonial type of leadership. We must move away from that thing [of colonialism] and ensure that we foster a political situation where every single stakeholder is respected irrespective of their political affiliation."

And Cheembe challenged Inspector General of Police Kakoma Kanganja to explain to citizens the reasons why his officers had continued to harass members of opposition political parties.

"We [as SACCORD] don't know the reason why it appears that police has continued to harass opposition political parties and we want to strongly appeal to the Inspector General of Police to perhaps explain that perception where position political parties appear to be



harassed by the service. It will be good information for everybody to know because as SACCORD we don't have any tangible reason as to why the police have been harassing opposition political parties. We can only appeal to the police to stop because that harassment is only going to fuel tension in the country. Therefore, as much as possible let's discuss and dialogue about any issues of concern to end the ongoing tension in the country, but continuing to see this rage

or issues of these reports of raids is unfortunate and these are issues that we even discussed before we agreed upon the issue of national dialogue," Cheembe said.

Cheembe said it was important for police to make all citizens feel safe.

"And we want to strongly appeal to the Zambia police service to engage as much as possible all citizens of Zambia irrespective of whether they are coming from the ruling party or opposition so that we don't create a situation that in this

country the police service only exists to serve those are in power and the service continues to command the interests as well as the commands of those in the ruling party because at the end of it all, as long as you are citizens of this country then it is important that each citizen is able to benefit from the protection that exists at the service and what is even more important is that we must avoid such institutions continuing to create political tensions," said Cheembe.





Right, First Lady Esther Lungu counsels Dr Christine Kaseba at the memorial of late president Michael Sata. Above, Vice-President Inonge Wina. Below, President Lungu speaks at the event. Below left, former State House press aide George Chellah and Sata's grandson Mwamba Peni in prayer. Bottom, Roan PF member of parliament Chishimba Kambwili, National Democratic Congress (NDC) Secretary General Mwenya Musenge and Judge Ngoma. Bottom left, Home Affairs Minister Stephen Kampyongo and his Local government counterpart Vincent Mwale talk to former Matero MP Miles Sampa



## PF remembers Sata, 3 yrs on

*Pictures by Tenson Mkhala*





# Govt has money for chlorine, not for preventing cholera

According to the Metrological Department, we still have until the end of November before the rains saturate the soil, but the Ministry of Health has already recorded hundreds of cholera cases. Some people are surprised; we are not. We are not surprised because we know this is how our government operates.

Like we stated in the 29th edition of our publication, our government is used to spending money on disaster management and mitigation rather than disaster forecast and prevention. Our government prefers to ‘manage’ and ‘mitigate’ the disaster after it has already occurred. That way, no one would blame them for spending so much money and failing to prevent a disaster. What they don’t want is accountability, and the best way to avoid accountability is to sweet-talk citizens into believing that disaster mitigation is a long-term solution.

Many Zambians have tolerated this approach by their government. As long as the office of the Vice-President sends a Disaster Management and Mitigation Team to an affected area, not even

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our members of parliament will ask why there is no permanent solution to routine disasters. Meanwhile, people are getting allowances from the same problem every year.

This is exactly what is happening in Lusaka today. Government officials have issued public statements banning mass gatherings in highly populated compounds. They don’t want residents from low density neighbourhoods; the suburbs to mingle with their fellow citizens who are bathing in cholera water. According to Dr Chitalu Chilufya, government doesn’t want the spread of cholera to other parts of the City and let alone other parts of the country. In the meantime, the number of infected people is rising and rising fast, with the

onset of rains.

Ministry of Health officials have put up cholera centres in Kanyama and other cholera infected compounds, giving a picture to the victims that their government cares so much about their lives. They are distributing chlorine and other disinfectants to cholera patients; teaching them how to treat their drinking water so that they don’t get sick again.

The people of Kanyama have been convinced that there shall never be a year when they won’t suffer or die from cholera. It’s part of their nature; the only thing they can do is to show gratitude to the government for sending them chlorine.

But this is an insult to the dignity of mankind. It is a show of disrespect to

‘low class’ citizens. When your government focuses on treatment but ignores prevention of diseases, know that you don’t matter that much; you are nothing but a statistic in their database. If you die, they simply move your name from the infected list to the death toll.

We say this because the cholera that has hit Lusaka did not come as a surprise to the government. They knew way ahead of time that during this period, residents of Kanyama would be sick. In fact we even wonder why they mock people by saying there is a cholera outbreak, instead of just saying cholera has commenced in Kanyama, as they saw it coming.

It is not cholera alone that our government

anticipated but did not prevent. Three weeks ago, Minister of Transport and Communications Brian Mushimba, warned Zambians that they would suffer from several other preventable disasters, which the government did not care to prevent.

“The nation is being informed that the 2017/2018 rainy season may experience floods. Possible infrastructural damage especially to civil structures such as roads, bridges and culverts are expected. Prevalence of fungal and water borne diseases such as cholera, dysentery and typhoid are also expected. There will be an increase in mosquito breeding sites leading to increased threats of malaria transmission; and occurrence of army worms

across the country is also expected,” said Mushimba.

True to Mushimba’s warnings, this is exactly what is happening already in Lusaka – floods and water borne diseases in the same compounds that were affected last year and all the previous years. Why isn’t our government getting down to the bottom of this problem and resolving it permanently?

It does not take an engineer to know why cholera affects the same compounds in Lusaka every year. The logic is simple; houses in these compounds are not serviced by running water. People have dug boreholes where they draw water, not far from pit latrines. Meanwhile, there are no sewer drainages or disposal sites constructed, leaving all form of waste to percolate into the ground and contaminate the water table where the borehole taps drinking water.

This is the challenge that our government is grappling with year in, year out. Those who are in government don’t seem eager to find a solution for the people of Kanyama, yet these are the compounds that produce the most votes during election time.

The Room. Formed by the past. Hewn from the finest of wood.

It was made of the finest materials, the best there is. It was the most stable, and august of all rooms, and many wanted to either use it or annex it, have it as their own.

I held on to Thabo MBEKI’s hand, steadily following his footsteps the way a river follows its course.

That a man so fine could be so misunderstood by the very people he came to both serve and save caused my eyes to water.

As Uncle Thabo ushered me into the room they all stood and began to clap. Whether they did it for me or themselves at first I did not know. Then Uncle Thabo began to introduce me to them.

There is Kenneth KAUNDA, the humanist. He liberated himself by liberating others.

KAUNDA nodded. Next to KAUNDA was Kwame NKURUMAH, the pan-Africanist who said that as Africans we look neither

West nor East, but we look forward.

I was awed.

Of course you know Nelson MANDELA here. The man who gave away three decades of his life for you and all humanity. Nelson remained quiet, choosing to let his life speak for itself I surmised. This is Chief Albert LUTHULI, the founding father of the ANC, a party which is now losing its consciousness in pursuit of self-enrichment.

That one over there is Oliver TAMBO who believed that all leadership must be in the service of the people. See how sullen he looks? I quietly observed.

This is Simon Mwansa KAPWEPWE. I believe you have his book ‘Afrika Twasebana’.

I nodded. Share it. Many others must read it. That over there is a man that turned a desert into an oasis of prosperity, Muammar GADDAFI. I gleefully shook his hand. People working together, Ujamaa, the spirit of being one must never be forgotten. This is Julius NYERERE, the African thinker that passionately pursued that dream.

Then suddenly a shot rang.

Commotion ensued. A man fell. He was quickly carried out of the room, and disappeared. With tears in his eyes, Uncle Thabo told me the man’s name was Thomas SANKARA. They have shot him all because of wanting to be free, for only wanting to be himself. We are always in danger, he

cautioned. Watch over each other always. I wanted to ask who he meant by ‘they’ but I remained quiet.

Then as if nothing had happened, he introduced me to Professor Ali MAZRUI, Steven BIKO, Julia CHIKAMONEKA, his father Govan, Ben BELLA, Jomo KENYATTA and Kapasa MAKASA. I also shook hands with Gamal NASSER, and Robert MUGABE, that fine hero who decayed and became mummified in his throne, and with him, his country. He went on and on. And instead of me getting tired with each introduction, my strength surged. I saw Idi AMIN in the distance, wearing what I thought was an idiotic smile. I didn’t shake hands with him. The

sight of Patrice LUMUMBA with his dapper hairstyle and characteristic moustache brought tears to my eyes.

I had a question.

Uncle Thabo, tell me, what is this room called? Africa, he said.

This is Africa, my son. This is your home. Never ever forget these people and what each one of them represents. These are the blocks that make up this room, its foundation and pillars.

But why are they standing and clapping? I asked. They are happy that you are here, and that through you, they see their own seed germinating, alive and well.

You are their legacy. Looking after this room is your destiny, your calling, your responsibility.

Humbled, I had tears in my eyes.

Now go on, Uncle Thabo said, say a few words. I was speechless. All I could say was:

‘Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! There was work to be done.

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# Congo’s Kasai conflict: ‘Millions face starvation without aid’

The head of the UN food agency has appealed for aid to avert a humanitarian crisis in the conflict-racked DR Congo province of Kasai. David Beasley told the BBC that more than three million people were now at risk of starvation.

He warned that hundreds of thousands of children could die in the coming months if aid was not delivered. Violence flared in August 2016 after the death of a local leader during clashes with security forces. It has forced 1.5 million million people from their homes, most of them children.

Mr Beasley described the situation in Kasai as a “disaster”. “Our teams are out in the field, we saw burned huts, burned homes, seriously malnourished children that had been stunted, obviously many children have died already,” the head of the World Food programme (WFP) said. “We’re talking about several hundred thousand children there that will die in the next few months, if we don’t get first funds and then second food, and then third access in the right locations,” he added.

He said the WFP currently only had 1% of the funding it needed to help people in Kasai and warned that the coming rainy season would soon make already poor roads impassable. But delivering aid by air would see costs escalate, he said.

“If we wait another few more weeks before we receive funds, to pre-position food, I can’t imagine how horrible the situation is going to be,” he said. “We need help, and we need it right now,” he added. The conflict began when

the government refused to recognise a traditional chief who went by the title Kamuina Nsapu. He set up a militia but was killed in clashes. Since his death a number of Kamuina Nsapu militia factions have emerged, all fighting for different causes, but with

authorities their common target. More and more people have joined the fighting, which has spread to five provinces. Both security forces and the militias have been accused of gross human rights violations. More than 3,000 people

have been killed and the UN has discovered dozens of mass graves in the area. Survivors have described seeing their family members killed with machetes or drowned and say the continuing ethnic conflict means they cannot go home.

In March, militias ambushed and killed 40 police officers in Kasai, cutting off all of their heads. The same month two UN workers, a Swede and an American, were abducted and killed in the same region, having gone to investigate the abuses. **BBC**



Spanish police cracking down on Catalan voters during the referendum vote which resulted in Catalonia’s declaration of independence

## Spain to take control of Catalan institutions

Spain is set to put in place measures to take direct control of Catalonia in response to the region’s declaration of independence last week. On Friday, Madrid stripped Catalonia of its autonomy and removed Catalan leader

Carles Puigdemont from office. The temporary move will see as many as 150 of the region’s ministers replaced. Some have vowed to continue to work. Mr Puigdemont and other Catalan officials may face

criminal charges, a move likely to lead to huge protests. Spain’s central government is to take control of Catalan institutions with Spanish officials expected to be put in place in the region’s ministries on Monday. Mr Puigdemont and his vice-

president Oriol Junqueras have said they do not accept the move by Madrid, adding that they could only be removed from power by the citizens of Catalonia. If Mr Puigdemont and others refuse to step aside, they face possible arrest.

Attention is now focused on the headquarters of the Catalan government to see if Mr Puigdemont turns up for work. About 200,000 civil servants are due to arrive on Monday, but it is not clear how many will stay away or refuse to follow instructions. Catalonia’s regional police force, known as Mossos, whose chief was dismissed last week, are deployed in Sant Jaume square, near the government palace in the centre of Barcelona. Spain’s Foreign Minister Alfonso Dastis has said he expects the officers to “act professionally”. Spain’s chief prosecutor has also been preparing criminal charges against any

officials considered to have acted against Spanish law in declaring independence following a referendum deemed illegal under the Spanish constitution. Meanwhile, Madrid has called for fresh regional elections on 21 December. Mr Puigdemont could run in new elections, according to Mr Dastis, but only if the sacked Catalan leader has not been jailed. On Sunday, Mr Dastis told Sky News: “We are not taking autonomy away from Catalonia. We are just re-establishing it, in fact.” He added: “Reality is already sinking in, will continue sinking in and they will realise that they cannot do something without the authority of law and they will be usurping authority.” Meanwhile, Interior Minister Juan Ignacio Zoido has written to all police officers in Catalonia asking for their loyalty as a “new era” begins in the region. He reminded members of the regional police, who are now under direct control from Madrid, of their duty to obey orders and to guarantee “the rights and liberties of all”. Senior police officers have told the BBC that they have already complied with an order to remove framed photographs of Mr Puigdemont from police stations across the region. **BBC**



## Separated twin ‘opens eyes’ 4 days after surgery

One of the twin boys who were conjoined at the head has opened his eyes four days after a historic surgery to separate them in India, a doctor says. Two-year-old Jaga has also responded to simple commands, including moving his limbs. He is on a ventilator and needs daily dialysis due to kidney problems.

His brother, Kalia, is not yet conscious and has suffered seizures. The boys were born with shared blood vessels and brain tissues and a 16-hour surgery separated them. A team of 30 doctors carried out the operation - the first of its kind in India - at a state-run hospital in the capital, Delhi.

Both boys are stable and doctors are satisfied with their progress so far, Professor Deepak Gupta, who was involved in the operation, told the BBC. The twins, hailing from a village in eastern Orissa state, were joined at the head - a condition known as craniopagus. Even before the operation they had

defeated the odds - craniopagus occurs in one in three million births, and 50% of those affected die within 24 hours, doctors say. The first surgery was performed on 28 August when the doctors created a bypass to separate the shared veins that return blood to the heart from the brain. **BBC**



New research has found that those who use dagga regularly also seem to be having more sex. Carried out by the Stanford University School of Medicine, the large-scale study looked at 28,176 American women with an average age of 29.9 years and 22,943 American men with an average age of 29.5 taking part in the National Survey of Family Growth. The survey is carried out on an annual basis and

# Dagga smokers have more sex, say scientists

explicitly asks participants how many times they’ve had intercourse with a member of the opposite sex in the past four weeks and how

frequently they’ve smoked marijuana over the past 12 months. The researchers compiled the answers to those questions

for every year since 2002 to examine for the first time the relationship between marijuana use and frequency of sexual intercourse.

The responses showed that 24.5% of men and 14.5% of women reported having used marijuana, and that there was a positive association between the frequency of marijuana use and the frequency of sexual intercourse. The team found that women who reported no marijuana use in the past year had sex on average 6 times during the previous four weeks, whereas those who used marijuana daily reported having sex 7.1 times. For men, those who reported no marijuana use had sex on average 5.6 times during the previous four weeks, whereas for daily users that number increased to 6.9. This means, according to the study’s senior author Michael Eisenberg, MD, that marijuana users are having about 20% more sex than abstainers. The perhaps surprising results go against some previous studies, which have found reduced sperm counts in men who smoke marijuana and reports of erectile dysfunction in heavy users. However, others have also found in both animals and humans that the drug can stimulate activity in brain regions involved in sexual arousal and activity. According to Eisenberg, “Frequent marijuana use

doesn’t seem to impair sexual motivation or performance. If anything, it’s associated with increased coital frequency.” Although Eisenberg also noted that the study did not establish a causal connection between the drug and sexual frequency, he added that the result do hint at it. “The overall trend we saw applied to people of both sexes and all races, ages, education levels, income groups and religions, every health status, whether they were married or single and whether or not they had kids.” In addition, the results still held true even after taking into account the participants’ use of other drugs, such as cocaine or alcohol, which Eisenberg believes rules out the explanation that those who are less-inhibited and may be more inclined to use drugs may also be more likely to have sex. Sexual frequency also increased steadily as marijuana use also increased, suggested that it could play an active role in increasing sexual activity. Nevertheless, Eisenberg cautioned, “It doesn’t say if you smoke more marijuana, you’ll have more sex.” The findings can be found published online in the Journal of Sexual Medicine. *Timeslive.co.za*



Levi Meaden and Ariel Winter at Just Jared’s Halloween party

## Camera-based iPhone apps could be used to spy on you

Apple has been urged to change the way in which iPhone apps are granted access to the phone’s camera after a security researcher demonstrated how apps can secretly record photos and videos without the user knowing. Felix Krause, an Austrian developer who works for Google, built an app that was able to take pictures of its user every second and upload them, without notifying the user.

He called it a “privacy loophole that can be abused by iOS apps”. When an app wants to access the camera, for example to scan a credit card or take a profile picture during the set-up process, the iPhone user must give the app permission, in the same way that apps must ask to access the camera roll, location and contacts and to send notifications. Once allowed, it has to be turned

off via the settings menu. The system is similar to the permissions required by apps on Android. Google has recently deleted several apps that surreptitiously recorded users and masqueraded as legitimate apps. But Krause said that once an app has been granted initial access, it can take photos and videos whenever it is opened up. Unlike on Mac computers, which have a small green light next to the camera when it is being used, there is no indication that an app is recording videos or taking photos, or when it sends them elsewhere. The iPhone’s camera app permissions do not differentiate between the phone’s front and back camera. Allowing camera permissions can grant extra access in the latest version of iOS, which has a facial recognition engine that could allow apps to detect emotions. *Yahoo*

## Woman gives 1,300 haircuts to the homeless

When Felisha Ruehmer’s friends kept tagging her in Facebook posts about a man who gives haircuts to the homeless, she took it as a sign. Ruehmer, who went to school for cosmetology, said she decided to make a Facebook post in 2016 to see if others would help if she decided to give haircuts to the homeless herself. Read: On His Day Off This Barber Cuts Hair for Homeless - See the Transformations!

“When I woke up and checked the post, many people had volunteered to help and given ideas about how I could make it come together,” Ruehmer told InsideEdition.com. “I felt like God was calling me to do it so I said I’ll do this if you show me how.” Ruehmer decided to host her first event to give out free haircuts in Aiken, S.C., in February 2016. She had several volunteers and hairstylists participate, she said.

She’d gone to local shelters to spread the word beforehand and 106 people came out to the event. “It makes me feel like I am respectable again, an average person” said one man whose hair Ruehmer cut. Since then, Ruehmer said she has given 1,300 haircuts to the homeless as part of her organization, “Walking Tall.” She also provides the homeless with showers, food, and clothes.

“If you think about how good you feel when you get your hair done, but it’s one of the last things on a homeless person’s mind,” Ruehmer said. “They are thinking about eating. A haircut can give them the confidence to stand up and instead of feeling like they are less than.” “It takes so little effort to be good to people,” Ruehmer said. “We are planting seeds of giving back.” *Yahoo*



# Knicks hand Cavaliers 4th defeat in last five games

Tim Hardaway Jr. scored 34 points, Kristaps Porzingis had 32 and the visiting New York Knicks handed the Cleveland Cavaliers their fourth loss in five games, 114-95 on Sunday night. Cleveland, which was blown out by Orlando and lost to Brooklyn during this stretch, fell below .500 despite cutting a 19-point deficit to six in the fourth quarter. LeBron James downplayed the Cavaliers’ problems following Saturday night’s 123-101 loss in New Orleans, but the issues continued for the defending Eastern Conference champions. New York, after winning its first game Friday over the Nets, led 89-71 late in the third quarter. Cleveland cut it to 94-88 on James’ drive, forcing New York to call a timeout with 8:21 left. Courtney Lee scored on a drive and hit a 3-pointer, helping the Knicks make it 103-88. New York took its largest lead, 114-93, in the final minute. Detroit 115, at Golden State 107: Stephen Curry and the defending champion Warriors are certainly showing their flaws and got handed a second home defeat at this early stage of the season. Avery Bradley scored 23 points while Tobias Harris made a three-pointer with 1:27 left that all but sealed it after Kevin Durant fueled a late Warriors rally. Durant made consecutive three-pointers to get Golden State to within 101-94, then dunked on the next time down to make it 103-96 with 4:40 left before finding Thompson for a three-pointer on the next possession. Durant’s dunk at 2:12 made it 108-105.



Curry had a steal and drive with 1:51 left but couldn’t convert, then missed a 3 as Golden State kept possession. Durant missed from deep the next time down. The Warriors lost only twice total at Oracle Arena in both their 2015

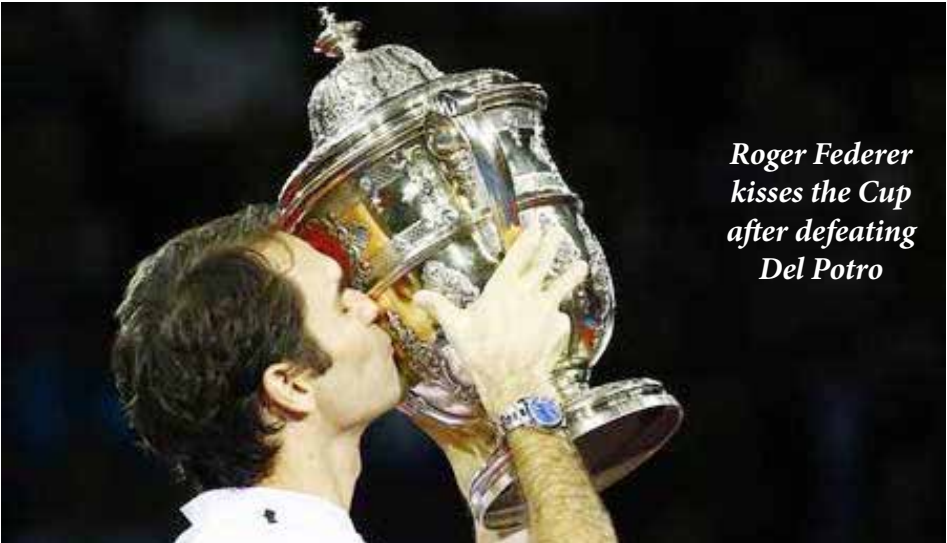
championship year and again in the 73-win season that followed, then just five times at home on the way to another title this year. Tim Hardaway Jr. scored 34 points, Kristaps Porzingis had 32 and the visiting New York Knicks handed the Cleveland Cavaliers their

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## Federer outlasts Del Potro for 8th Basel title



Roger Federer kisses the Cup after defeating Del Potro

Roger Federer displayed some rare flashes of temper as he battled past Argentina’s Juan Martin del Potro 6-7(5) 6-4 6-3 for an eighth Swiss Indoors title in front of a partisan Basel crowd on Sunday. The 36-year-old local favorite, beaten by Del Potro in consecutive Basel finals in 2012 and 2013, was ragged at times and looked in danger of an unwanted hat-trick, but showed all his fighting qualities to turn the match around. Fourth seed Del Potro, making a late run to try and qualify for next month’s ATP World Tour Finals in London, broke serve in the first game of the decider but wilted as Federer stormed back to the delight of a raucous crowd inside the St Jakobshalle. World number two Federer charged into a 5-2 lead and while Del Potro delayed the end by holding serve, Federer would not be denied and racked up his 95th career title as Del Potro fired a backhand long under pressure. In edging past Ivan Lendl’s 94 Federer is now alone in second place on the all-time titles list which American great Jimmy Connors leads

with 109. However, his chances of snatching the world number one ranking from Rafael Nadal before the end of the season are all but over as the Swiss pulled out of next week’s Paris Masters citing a back injury. Federer, who trails Nadal by 1,460 points in the rankings, has taken regular breaks during the season to rest his body and no doubt opted to skip the Paris tournament to prepare for next month’s ATP Finals in London. Del Potro would have moved into the eighth and final qualifying spot for London had he claimed a third Basel title, but now must reach the semi-finals at least in the French capital to make it to the season-ending tournament. “All the best for Paris and then I’ll hopefully maybe see you in London, too,” Federer said after an intense battle with the 29-year-old Argentine who fell just short of claiming a second successive title after winning in Stockholm. Federer broke serve in the opening game but Del Potro hit back immediately when Federer netted a backhand. **Yahoo**

## Zanaco win Barclays Cup

By Nyambe Lubasi

Veteran midfielder Isaac Chansa is savouring Saturday’s 2017 Barclays Cup triumph after scoring the defining goal in the 2-1 final result over Napsa Stars at National Heroes Stadium in Lusaka. Chansa’s 108th minute goal in extra-time handed Zanaco their debut Barclays Cup win. But most importantly, it broke Zanaco’s agonizing 11 year Barclays Cup jinx in which The Bankers had never failed to qualify for but had only two loser’s medals to show for it. And Zanaco fought hard to end their Barclays drought after 2012 champions Napsa had taken the lead in the 46th minute through striker Youremember

Banda. Striker Felix Nyaende made sure the tie was decided in extra-time after equalizing from an 84th minute penalty following a foul on winger Charles Zulu by Napsa defender Derrick Mwansa. “It is a great feeling, it wasn’t an easy game. As you know, it was a derby, it was exciting and it was end-to-end football. I am very excited together with my teammates and to also to get a wonderful goal which was the winning goal,” Chansa said. Zulu was the provider of the ball with a cross from the far left to the near right post where Chansa was lurking and headed-in the ball with an ice-cold finish.

“The coaches told me that it was me who had the favoured chance to score the winning goal. They told me that I should go to the wings and position myself and I think that’s what happened,” said Chansa. With the Barclays Cup finally in the cabinet, Zanaco now turn their attention back to the business of defending their league title with a strong prospect of a 2017 double. Zanaco lead the league table on 60 points, four more than second placed Green Buffaloes with six matches left to play. “We have the league match on Wednesday so we won’t celebrate that much because we are playing Kabwe Warriors,” Chansa said.



**Nyambe Lubasi**

Chipolopolo coach Wedson Nyirenda has dropped enterprising midfielder Chisamba Lungu from the national team squad that will play against Cameroon in the 'formality 2018 FIFA World Cup Group B qualifier. Zambia will host Cameroon on November 11 in a battle to finish a respectable second in Group B at Levy Mwanawasa Stadium in Ndola

The midfielder from Turkish side Alanyspor has been dropped after some lacklustre displays against Nigeria and Algeria over the last two months.

Chisamba has also see very little action with Alanyspor where he has played three games since moving from Russian club FC Ural in August.

But Nyirenda has summoned three injured players for the match who include striker Patson Daka of RB Salzburg in Austria and midfielder Emmanuel Banda of Belgium side KV Oostende.

Both remain sidelined with injuries incurred prior to the October 7 away Group B qualifier against Nigeria that Zambia lost 1-0.

Also in the team is Nkana benchwarmer and junior international defender Boston Muchindu who is carrying an injury.

But there is no place for his club mate and John Mwangani who has been outstanding form for Nkana, and instead another benchwarmer at the club, Moses Nyondo, has made the team.

And Nyirenda has recalled South African-based striker Lewis Macha of Baroka FC who has scored two goals from the five matches he has played for the early pacesetters.

Zambia has 7 points, one ahead of Cameroon heading into their final Group B match, after the two teams drew 1-1 in Limbe on November 12, 2016.

Nigeria has already qualified for the Russia finals on an unassailable 13 points.

Zambia will enter camp in Ndola on November 5 to

# WADA DROPS CHISAMBA

prepare for the match.

**GOALKEEPERS:** Kennedy Mweene (Mamelodi Sundowns, South Africa), Toaster Nsabata (Zanaco), Allan Chibwe (Power Dynamos)

**DEFENDERS:** Donashano Malama, Boston Muchindu, Moses Nyondo (all Nkana), Simon Silwimba, Fackson Kapumbu (both Zesco United), Ziyo Tembo (Zanaco FC), Isaac Shamujiropa (Power Dynamos), Adrian Chama (Green Buffaloes), Stopilla Sunzu (Arsenal Tula, Russia)

**MIDFIELDERS:** Rodrick Kabwe (Ajax Cape Town,

South Africa), Kondwani Mtonga, Misheck Chaila, John Chingandu (all Zesco United), Emmanuel Banda (KV Oostende, Belgium), Augustine

Mulenga, Earnest Mbewe (both Zanaco), Fashion Sakala (Spartak Moscow, Russia), Edward Chilufya (Djurgadens, Sweden), Enock Mwepu (RB

Salzburg, Austria)

**STRIKERS:** Patson Daka (RB Salzburg, Austria), Brian Mwila (Platinum Stars, South Africa), Justin Shonga (Orlando

Pirates, South Africa), Lameck Banda (Nkwazi), Alex Ng'onga (Power Dynamos), Lewis Macha (Baroka FC, South Africa)



Denmark's Caroline Wozniacki in action during the final against USA's Venus Williams