



**STATEMENT BY HIS EXCELLENCY DR. SAM NUJOMA,  
FOUNDING PRESIDENT AND FATHER OF THE  
NAMIBIAN NATION, ON THE OCCASION OF THE  
STREET NAMING IN HIS HONOUR BY THE  
OPUWO TOWN COUNCIL,**

**30<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2015**

**OPUWO**

**KUNENE REGION**

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Director of Ceremonies;  
Honourable Governor of Kunene Region, Comrade Angelika Muharukua;  
Your Worship the Mayor, Councilor Tuarungua Kavari;  
Honourable Regional and Local Authorities Councillors Present;  
Distinguished Chief Executive Officer of Opuwo Town Council, Mr. Alfons Tjitombo;  
Distinguished Honourable Traditional and Community Leaders;  
Distinguished Members of the Business Community present;  
Distinguished Invited Guests;  
Members of the Media;  
Ladies and Gentlemen:

It gives me great pleasure to have been invited to the unveiling of a street that the Town Council of Opuwo has named after me.

I would therefore like to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation and profound gratitude to the Opuwo Town Council for the honour bestowed upon me.

As you are aware, the main reason why we name streets is for the purpose of direction and so as to locate houses and business premises.  
Thus, after a town has been proclaimed, the municipality demarcates different zones for residence, business, industry, schools, parks and play grounds for children.

The municipality or residents of a specific zone might also decide to name their streets after historical and sports personalities as well as political and Traditional figures.

This special honour is not only for me personally but rather recognition of our collective national efforts in developing all parts of Namibia.

In this regard, I wish to reaffirm that the honor conferred upon me and other patriotic Namibians in other parts of the Republic of Namibia, is a well deserved tribute to our collective nation building efforts as we strive towards the realization of Vision 2030.

Now that we have gained our political independence, we have to work very hard in order to win this second phase of the struggle for economic independence.

Director of Ceremony;

As we prepare to officially open this street, I would like to make an appeal to the residents of this town to work together in unity of action and purpose in order to develop the town of Opuwo in particular and the Kunene Region at large.

With these few words, it is now my honour and pleasure to declare the Dr. Sam Nujoma Street officially open.

Remember, *“A people united, striving to achieve a common good for all members of the society, will always emerge victorious.”*

I thank you.