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Dear Hon. !Haoseb

## WITHDRAWAL OF AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE TRAVEL PERMITS: AMENDMENT OF STATE OF EMERGENCY COVID-19 REGULATIONS

In accordance with the Proclamation No.13 (2020): Amendment of State of Emergency COVID-19 Regulations dated 17 April 2020, Regulation 7 divides the entire country into specific Zones:

(2) "during the lockdown period, a person may not enter into or depart from one zone to another zone, except that this provision may not be construed as preventing a person from movement within the same zone in which he or she is located as long as that person complies with the requirements of these regulations relating to the movement of persons and goods"

In view to ensuring effective implementation of these amendments, the Namibian Police (NAMPOL) has put in place a Country wide Lockdown Deployment Plan. As a result, people are strictly required to limit movements within and outside the demarcated zones in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Therefore, Authorized Officers for the issuance of travel permits have now been reduced to the following categories of Officials ONLY, namely:

- NAMPOL Regional Commanders and previously Authorized Station Commanders;
- Regional Directors of Health; and
- Regional Directors of Education.

Therefore, as from Monday, 20 April 2020, Regional (Constituency) Councilors will no longer issue Travel Permits during the State of Emergency.

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