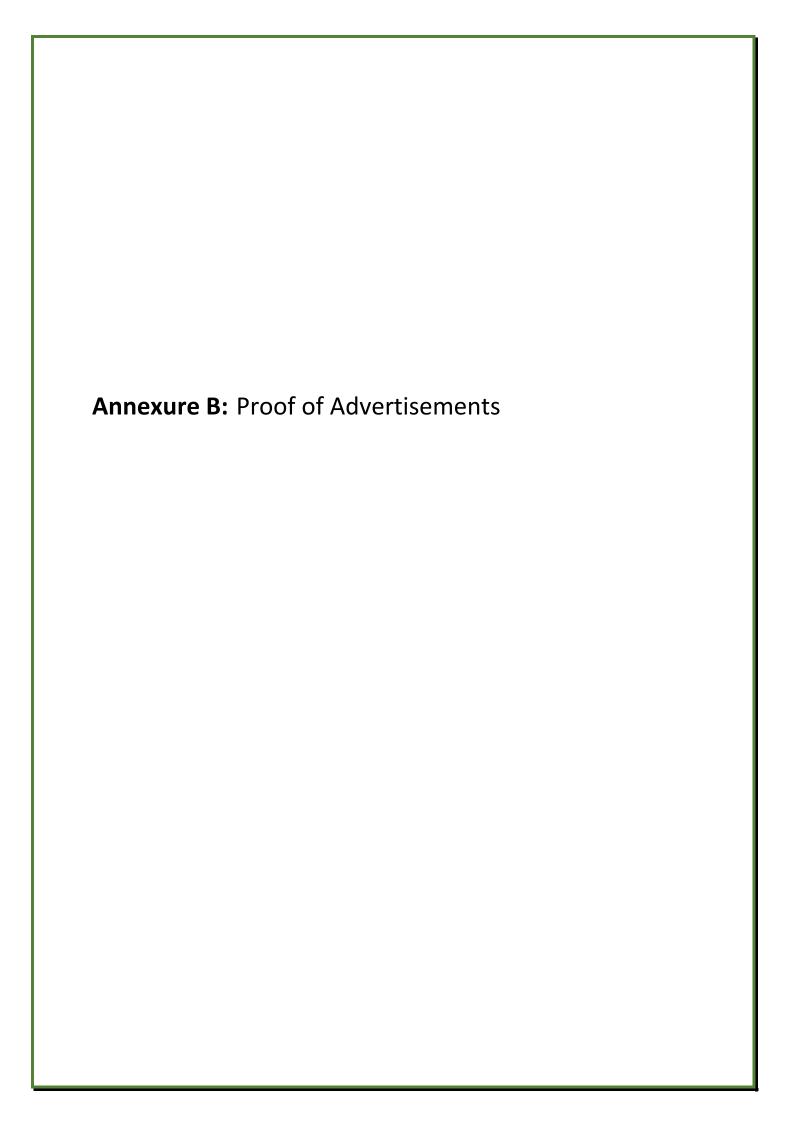


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The baby and the bathwater

he idiomatic expression "don't throw the baby out with the bathwater" comes to mind when debates start stirring on social media regulation.

This idiom describes an avoidable error in which something good is eliminated when trying to get rid of something bad, or in other words, rejecting the favourable along with the unfavourable.

In terms of social media, there are a host of favourable outcomes, including a massive sharing of ideas through debate and other forms of expression, and the strengthening social awareness and empathy, among others. In the same vein, it also nurtures negatives like the proliferation of fake news, cyberbullying, negative body image and the like. It is inevitable that the recent announcement by information minister Stanley Simataa that Cabinet approved a resolution to regulate social media will be viewed with suspicion. Simataa claimed this regulation would be aimed at punishing anyone spreading content that encourages young girls to indulge in sexual acts, which in turn leads to an increase in teenage pregnancies. However, as social commentators have pointed out, this seems to be a continuation of a motion to regulate social media tabled in Parliament last year by Swapo chief whip Evelyn !Nawases-Taevele, who claimed that young people in Namibia were using social media to fuel propaganda and insult national leaders. In terms of self-regulation, Facebook, which owns Instagram, has more than 35 000 people around the world working on safety and security, and it also releases sta-

Between July and September 2019, it took action on 30.3 million pieces of content, of which it found 98.4% before any users flagged it. This points to self-regulation that can be further explored by governments with social media sites.

tistics on its content removals.

In the Namibian context, where political and social debates occur with ferocity on social media every day, any move by government to regulate such platforms will be seen as an attack on freedom of expression, and can be linked to the ruling party and the president's waning popularity.

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Charges

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At the first court appearance of suspended Fishcor CEO Mike Nghipunya, who was arrested yesterday, five of the original six main accused were also present to hear that new charges were added to their files in connection with money allegedly laundered through entities called Salex and DHC Inc. It was alleged that N\$75 million of Fishcor's money was laundered using these firms. Former justice minister Shanghala faces an additional charge of obstructing the course of justice. He, Esau, James Hatuikulipi and Nghipunya are further accused of using state money for self-gratification. Pius Mwatelulo and Tamson 'Fitty' Hatuikulipi are accused conspiring in these alleged

James now also faces a further charge of attempting to bribe an Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) investigator.

He allegedly offered N\$250 000 for bank cards and an assets allocation sheet that forms part of the Fishrot evidence.

The matter was postponed to 23 April. Bail was opposed due to the seriousness of the crimes. It was also indicated that the accused may abscond, and that they may interfere with investigations. The State also argued it was not in public interest to re-

They will all remain in custody at the Windhoek Correctional Facility. Lawyers for the other main had accused asked for their hearing to continue on Thursday, while Nghipunya's lawyer asked that his case be heard on 23 April.

THE NORTH REJOICES

ABOVE NORMAL: The level of the Okavango River at Rundu and Nkurenkuru continues to rise and water levels were on Monday measured at 6.6 m and 4.23 m respectively. According to the hydrological services division in the agriculture ministry the water level of the river at Rundu remains above normal and higher than it has been in the past four years. PHOTO: CONTRIBUTED

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The Act was amended in 2015 to give Esau powers to allocate rights as he saw fit - leading to his stripping many private companies of fishing rights.

Those who lost such rights ended up retrenching thousands of fishermen.

Esau's amendment of the law followed a 2014 High Court ruling that said his allocation of 10 000 metric tonnes of horse mackerel to state-owned fishing company Fishcor was illegal because the entity was not a horsemackerel fishing rights holder.

The allocation of the rights to Fishcor is now seen as a smokescreen to allocate them to Icelandic seafood company Samherji in return for kickbacks to those implicated in the Fishrot debacle. It is alleged that over N\$150 million in bribes changed

This was done under the guise of 'Namibianisation' of the sec-

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tuikulipi, who was forced to

Greed got us here

Angula says corruption has been allowed to flourish in Namibia because those perpetrating the theft of state resources believe they are protected by the political elite.

"I do not know what really happened to the ethical and moral fabric of our society. People simply became greedy," Angula said yesterday during a wide-ranging interview with Namibian Sun.

"When people become so brazen, you would suspect they might have gotten an example from somebody high up there. They feel protected somehow. You cannot go and do these illegal things over and over," Angula said.

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Fishrot

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The scandal has led to the arrest of their former colleague and board chairperson, James Hatuikulipi, and CEO Mike Nghi-

Other board members include regional governors Usko Nghaamwa (Ohangwena) and Sirkka Ausiku (Kavango West), fisheries ministry executive director Dr Moses Maurihungirire, Dr Bennet Kangumu, Ndaendomwenyo Sheya and Clareta Gamses, who later resigned. They all served at the height of

what is now fast becoming Namibia's biggest post-independence corruption scandal, which involved using Fishcor as a vehicle in a grand bribery scheme involving about N\$150 million.

Questions have sprung up in recent months as to how the alleged unethical conduct could occur with ease and finesse without the board acting on it.

Known as 'Fishrot', the scandal arose from former fisheries minister Bernhardt Esau allegedly pushing through an amendment to the Marine Resources Act that gave him powers to distribute fishing quotas as he saw fit.

Using his newly acquired powers, Esau stripped many private companies of fishing rights and handed them to Fishcor - allegedly as a smokescreen to allocate them to Icelandic seafood company Samherji in return for kickbacks to those now implicated in the Fishrot debacle.

Those who lost such rights ended up retrenching thousands of fishermen. Nghaamwa said as board members they were not always privy to what the compa-

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ny's executives were up to. "In each and every business, there are technical components that cannot just be known by everybody. These technical components can only be known by those running the business. This is exactly what happened at Fishcor," said Nghaamwa, himself a successful businessman. "Those running the business use these technical components to enrich themselves. As board members we just thought the company was doing well according to the report and presentations we were receiving." Ausiku contended that when she became a board member of Fishcor in May 2017, much of the alleged bribery had already occurred.

"From which year now, when did I join the board? Some of these things were done when we were not there. Now how do I respond to something I was not a part of?" she said.

Kangumu, who is currently acting as board chairperson after James Hatuikulipi's resignation, said he too did not know about the alleged

"Fishrot does not equal Fishcor, and vice versa, which has largely been ignored by the media, which could provide insight into how things were handled," he said.

"Amidst all this, we firmly believe that culprits will not perpetually evade the long arm of the law, including within the current board if any," he commented.

So far the main accused in the Fishrot matter are James Hatuikulipi, his cousin Tamson Hatuikulipi, former justice minister Sacky Shanghala, former fisheries minister Bernhardt Esau, Nghipunya, suspended Investec employee Ricardo Gustavo, Hanganeni employee Pius Mwatelulo and Nghipunya. Also arrested were three hangers-on of the main accused who face separate Sunrise in Windhoek: 06H54 Sunset in Windhoek: 18H15

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Dark shadow over fishing quotas

■ith a total of 5 190 fishing rights applications received by 31 August 2018 for the 90 to 120 rights available in the new allocation cycle, many Namibians are holding their breath ahead of the announcement.

These applications represent a massive increase from previous processes, where the number of applicants ranged between 500 to 1 500.

This speaks to a hunger to share in their country's resources, especially fisheries. Hanging like a dark cloud over the allocation process, which we report today is expected to be finalised at the end of March, is the soul-destroying allegations that a few individuals, with their hands on the levers of power, had used our country's resources to get stinking rich.

The so-called Fishrot saga continues to expose just how tainted and abused our government processes have become in

With this in mind, it remains highly suspect that the quota allocation process, started by a former fisheries minister who is now among the Fishrot accused, has been allowed to run to its conclusion. This immediately raises questions around the bona fides of the process and whether ordinary Namibians can trust the outcome. As allegations of favouritism and cabals being positioned to benefit from the latest quotas increasingly swirl, it becomes even more critical for this process to be beyond reproach.

The last thing the incoming administration of 21 March needs is backlash when the new quota owners are announced and their political and other connections are exposed. Ordinary Namibians everywhere have grown tired of processes that seem to exclusively favour the connected in one of the most unequal nations in the world. This is a golden opportunity for leadership to be shown in this regard. It is no longer good enough to talk; it is

time to walk the walk and deliver a fully transparent and ethical process that will be accepted by those who remain hungry and ostracised from the feeding trough in the country of their birth.

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Tweya

According to him, investors are looking for incentives to reach out to remote areas, but government is not forthcoming.

"It cannot be right. We must realign our thinking and do the right thing. For now, I must say

it is my moral obligation to say it publicly and transparently and [I] may step on people's toes," he

This law provides for the establishment, development and management of export processing zones in Namibia. Tweya added that this state of affairs has made the Namibian youth angry and brought on a ticking time bomb of unemployed youth. Leaders, he said, should therefore not be a stumbling block for the progress of the vouth.

"It cannot be correct. If we hear them, let us do something about it. When that time bomb explodes, we will all be finished. Let us not tell them they must first wait until we retire before they are given an opportunity," he said.

When contacted for clarity yesterday, Tweya was unrepentant about his remarks.

He emphasised that the HPP is not a policy, but in fact a plan.

"It is the year of introspection. We have to look inwards. Some policies that are advanced must be addressed. We are still quoting from laws dating from 1970, a time when this country was still a colony. What is so sensational about it?" he said.

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Land

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We even asked them to allow us to sell land with conditions, but nothing. "That is why you see people mushrooming in informal settlements," he said. Hindjou said he has turned away more than 10 companies, including foreign investors, because their pleas to sell land with conditions had been turned down.

"I have stopped counting. We had people who wanted to set up a tissue factory, a tyre shop, even private schools and spare part companies. We even had people who wanted to set up a dry port here for their containers from Walvis Bay, because we are close to the Botswana bor-

der," said Hindjou. There had also been a solar plant on the cards, which would have given the town a means of collecting revenue, but this too has fallen by the wayside as a result of the moratorium.

Even public-private partnerships (PPP) for the servicing of about 300 residential plots in the Veddersdal location has been brought to a standstill. "You see, any municipality cannot rely on revenue collection. With that you can only pay your small service providers such as security companies, but what about the service delivery to the people of the town? Other towns are selling land to give services such as taps in informal settlements, road infrastructure and

buildings. And there is no way

we can do that with revenue

collection," Hindjou said

For the past five years, Okahandja's saving grace has been an ad hoc investment account used for emergencies. According to Hindjou, they deposit N\$200 000 on a monthly basis into the account and have, to date, taken about N\$8 to N\$9 million to pay

Faeces and flies

Amid this administrative crisis, residents of the Vyf Rand Kamp and Vergenoeg informal settlements are forced to live next to garbage dumps covered with faeces and urine.

They are also denied access to water as communal taps have dried up. According to Bartholomeus Kampungu, a resident of Vyf Rand Kamp, they wake up at 03:00 to collect water for household purposes. And since there are no toilets, people are

forced to use the nearby river or the bushes. "Little children, as you can see, cannot go to the river, so they relieve themselves here between the houses," Kam-

Then there are those who simply cannot afford to buy the N\$300 water card.

"The tap is broken most of the time, then we must go to Oshitanda, which is about five kilometres away from here. As a result, most of us get to work late because we arrive very late from the water tap," Kampungu said. Another resident Paulus Matthew said children and elderly often have diarrhoea because of the unhygienic situation at the settlement. Attempts to get hold of minister of rural and urban development Peya Mushelenga were unsuccessful.

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In the main of four criminal cases currently before the courts, former fisheries Bernhardt Esau and his five co-accused, known as the Fishrot Six, are among others accused of awarding or conspiring to award up to 55 000 metric tonnes of horse mackerel to Namgomar Pesca Namibia (Pty) Ltd between 2014 and 2019, which in turn dished out the lucrative quotas to Samherji and its local subsidiaries.

The charges elaborate that between 2014 and 2019 the accused, acting in common purpose, directly or indirectly corruptly and intentionally solicited, accepted or agreed to accept N\$103 636 448.75 for their benefit from Mermaria Sea Food Namibia (Pty) Ltd and/or Esja Seafood Pty (Ltd) for their own gratification, so they could continue to receive fishing

They are also accused of acting in common purpose to wrongfully, unlawfully, falsely and with the intent to defraud, misrepresent the Namibian government.

This relates to a memorandum signed with the Angolan government on 18 June 2014 that was effectively used to circumvent the Marine Resources Act in the allocation of fishing quotas. Kawana pushes forward with quota allocations

Acting fisheries minister Albert Kawana confirmed to Namibian Sun that the process to allocate fishing quotas should be completed by the end of March, at which point the fisheries minister will, after consultation with

Cabinet, announce the successful applicants. A new cabinet is set to be sworn in on or after 21 March. Kawana said the University of Namibia (Unam) was roped in to help the ministry allocate the fishing rights.

Existing fishing rights holders have been granted permission by Cabinet to net a third of the total allowable catch (TAC) for various species until the end of the current financial year on 31 March, while prospective rights holders have not been informed about the status of their applications.

Last November, prior to his arrest in connection with the Fishrot bribery scandal, former fisheries minister Bernhardt Esau told New Era that a committee set up to evaluate over 5 000 fishing rights applications had completed 80% of its work.

The fisheries ministry announced that a total of 5 190 fishing rights applications were received by 31 August 2018 for the 90 to 120 rights available. This presented a massive increase from previous applications, which ranged in the region of 500 to 1 500.

the way forward, Kawana said noticeable progress had been made. "What we have done

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now as we announced already, we assigned this function of processing these things to Unam and we are waiting," he said. Cabinet would then

be consulted before the new fisheries minister announces the allocations, he said. "I hope this process will be completed by March," Kawana said. He also promised full transparency.

Kawana said the Fishrot scandal, in

which bribes are alleged to have been accepted for the allocation of lucrative fishing quotas, should not allow foreign nationals and entities to gain a foothold on the fishing sector. According to him, unlike other industries, fisheries was dominated by Namibians and would remain that way.

"The fisheries sector is more than 90% owned by Namibians so that to me is a very proud record. Let us keep it that way... We want to see even more Namibians own these resources," he

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Geo Pollution Technologies (Pty) Ltd was appointed by O&L Leisure (Pty) Ltd to undertake an environmental assessment for the refurbishment and operations of the Midgard Country Estate in the Otjozondjupa Region. Background information for the environmental assessment

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to the Environmental Management Act of 2007 and its regulations as published in 2012.

O&L Leisure intends to refurbish the facility by constructing more guest accommodation and refurbishing various components of the estate. Operations are typical of similar establishments in the hospitality industry.

All interested and affected parties are invited to register with the environmental consultant. By registering you are provided with the opportunity to share any comments, issues or concerns related to the facility, for consideration in the environmental assessment. Additional information can be requested from Geo Pollution Technologies.

All comments and concerns should be submitted to Geo Pollution Technologies by 11 March 2020.

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GABORONE - At least 46 rhinos havebeenslaughteredinBotswana in 10 months, a government official said on Monday as the southern African wildlife haven reported a surge in poaching of

the endangered species.

The killings - slightly under 10% of Botswana's total rhino population - have occurred in the

since April last year.

"Poaching has risen at an alarming rate in this area," Moemi Batshabang, a deputy director with the government's wildlife department told AFP.

Nearly 50 rhinos killed in Botswana in 10 months

been killed by highly organised poachers between April last year to date," he said.

Botswana is home to 500

rhinos, according to international conservation charity, Save the

They are a protected species in Botswana and fall outside the government's recent decision to end a five-year ban on trophyhunting licences, which is largely targeted at the burgeoning elephant population.

Most of the rhinos roam the

grassy plains of the northern Okavango Delta, where Moremi Game Reserve is situated.

"The increase in poaching of both the black and white rhino is of concern and unusual," said

poaching last year prompted the government to warn that therhino population could be wiped out in the southern African country by 2021.

Thousands of rhinos that once roamed Africa and Asia have been culled by poaching and habitat loss. Very few are found outside national parks and reserves.

Poaching is fuelled by a seemingly insatiable demand for rhino horn in Asia, where it is coveted as a traditional medicine or an aphrodisiac, and can fetch up to US\$60 000 per kilogramme.

Rhino horn is composed mainly of keratin, the same substance as in human nails.

Botswana's neighbour South Africa, home to 80 percent of the world's remaining rhinos and the epicentre of rhino poaching, lost 594 rhinos to poachers last year. The good news is that this marks a 23% drop from the previous year.

Lesotho PM under pressure to resign

ASERU - Pressure mounted on Lesotho Prime Minister Thomas Thabane to step down Monday as he appeared in court over the murder of his estranged wife after failing to turn up for a hearing last week.

The latest twist in a saga that has gripped the southern African kingdom came after a weekend in which the 80-year-old premier was said to be receiving emergency medical care in South Africa.

The magistrates court in Maseru nad been expected to formally read out charges against Thabane for allegedly acting in "common purpose" in the June 2017 killing of 58-year old Lipolelo Thabane, whom he was in the process of

divorcing.

But after a brief sitting, the matter was deferred to the High Court and the prime minister was not formally charged.

No date has been give for the prime

minister's appearance at the High Court. But the case has increased pressure on Thabane to step down.

The supreme decision-making executive committee of his All Basotho Convention (ABC) party has asked him to leave office "immediately" as it picked his possible replacement.

We have asked the PM to step down while on the other hand we have submitted (to a party parliamentary caucus) the name of Mr Sam Rapapa to succeed him," party's spokesman Montoeli Masoetsa told AFP.

Rapapa is a lawmaker and the party's

Citing advanced age, Thabane last week announced on national television that he would retire by July 31.

Thabane was accompanied to the magistrates court by his current wife Maesaiah Thabane, 42, whom he married two months after Lipolelo's death and who



Charged ... Lesotho Prime Minister Thomas Thabane. Photo: Nampa/AFP

is considered a co-conspirator in the murder case.

Shehasalready been charged with murder and is out on bail.

Defence lawyer Qhalehang Letsika had argued that Thabane should not be charged as long as he remained a prime minister.

"My client cannot be prosecuted while in office but he is not above the law," said Letsika, adding the beleaguered premier was "entitled to immunity" because of his

Wearing a navy-blue striped suit with a powder-blue shirt and flanked by his spouse, Thabane appeared nervous as the couple sat on one of the court benches.

During the hearing, the lawyer asked whether a sitting prime minister should be subject to criminal prosecution as this could mean that he may be held in custody.

"Whether a sitting prime minister can be criminally charged, I must admit at the outset that this is indeed a novel case in our country and whose determination we shall eagerly anticipate," magistrate Phethise Motanyane said.

Thabane had initially been due in court on Friday for the preliminary appearance but was a no-show, prompting police to warn they could issue an arrest warrant.

HisaideinitiallysaidThaban had gone to neighbourin South Africa for "routine health checks, but later hi office said he was seekin "emergency" medical attention and would appear in court o his return.

On Saturday, police sai Thabane's sick note said the the premier would be "unfit until 27 February.

Lipolelo's murder sen shockwaves through Lesoth a tiny landlocked nation o 2.2 million with a history of political turmoil.

She was gunned dow outside her home in Maserujus two days before her husban took office. The couple had bee embroiled in a bitter divorce.

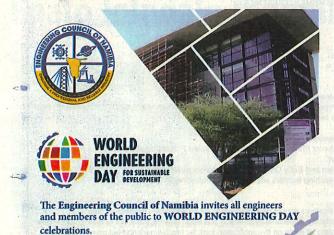
The accusations agains the prime minister came after communications record from the scene of the murde included Thabane's mobil phone number.

The main opposition part the Democratic Congress, o Friday filed in parliament motion of no confidence in th prime minister.

If Thabane loses the motion he could either step down c adviseKingLetsie III to dissolv parliament and call for fres

On the streets of Maseru, th people of Lesotho also want hir gone from office.

"He should be stripped of. his title and face all the charge and, like anyone else," sai Lynor Mahase. -Nampa/AFP



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Burkina Faso ambush kills four

OUAGADOUGOU - An ambush on a polic patrol in northern Burkina Faso on Monda left four people dead, three of them officers police said.

The attack, carried out in the morning b unidentified gunmen, killed a police lieutenan two sergeants and a civilian, a police statemen said. Another five people were wounded, th statement added, without saying if they wer police officers or civilians.

Monday's attack happened on the Pissila Gibga axis of the Sanmatenga province, in th West African country's Centre-Nord region.

An attack last Tuesday killed three soldier from a detachment at Kelbo, in the farther nort Soum province, in the Sahel region borderin Mali. -Nampa/AFP

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20	F Kreitz	website and newsletter			
_		Manager: Threatened Plants Programme, National			
-	Sonja Loots	Botanical Research Institute			
22	Conrad Lutombi	Roads Authority - Chief Executive Officer			
22	E de Paauw	Roads Authority - Specialised road Legislation, Advise & Compliance			
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		Town Planning Officer			
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Stephanie Strauss

From: Bronwynn Basson
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Attachments: Background Information Document.pdf

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on or before 11 March 2020.

Kind regards

Bronwynn Basson | Stubenrauch Planning Consultants

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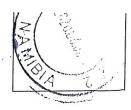
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To: Stephanie Strauss

Subject: FW: AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR

COMMENT: Permanent Closure of Erf A (A Portion of Erf 1941) and Erf B (A Portion

of Erf 825) Keetmanshoop measuring ± 12.30m² and ± 1896.56m² in extent

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Attachments: 20-0154 Executive summary.pdf

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From: Bronwynn Basson

Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2020 9:25 AM

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Stubenrauch Planning Consultants

Keetmanshoop Municipality

45 Feld Street

Hampie Plichta Avenue

Windhoek

Keetmanshoop

An electronic copy of the report is available for download for your review at the below Dropbox link:

https://www.dropbox.com/s/p4y4trm2jazbzt0/20-0154%20DESR%20Keetmanshoop for%20public%20review.pdf?dl=0

Should you wish to comment on the proposed project, kindly do so in writing on or before **29 May 2020** by one of the following means:

Addressed to: Stubenrauch Planning Consultants (SPC)

Address: PO Box 41404, Windhoek

Email: Bronwynn@spc.com.na

Fax no.: +264 61 25 11 89 Tel no.: +264 61 25 21 57

The DESR will be finalised in light of feedback from I&APs and Stakeholders and will then be submitted to MET: DEA for consideration and decision making. If MET: DEA approves or requests additional information/ studies, all registered I&APs and Stakeholders will be kept informed of progress throughout the assessment process.

Please feel free to contact our office should you need any additional information.

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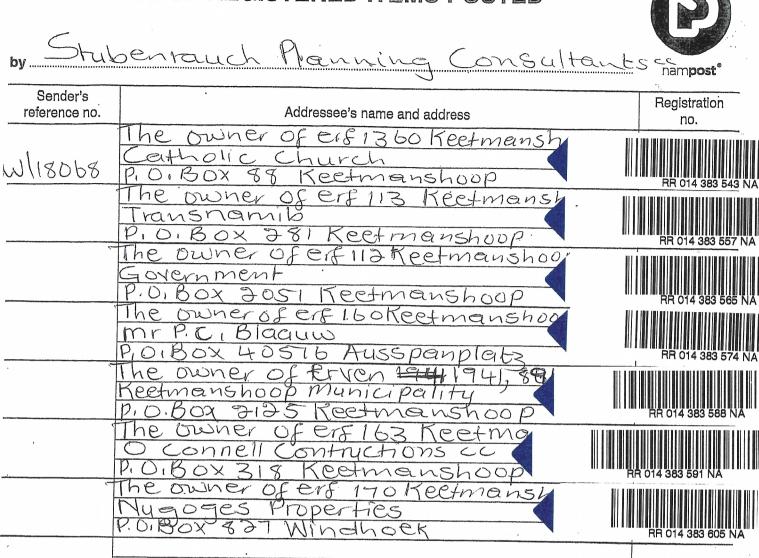


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Sent: Thursday, February 20, 2020 10:05 AM **To:** Bronwynn Basson
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Subject: RE: Environmental Impact Assessment: Permanent Closure of Erf A (A Portion of Erf 1941) and Erf B (A Portion of Erf 825) Keetmanshoop measuring \pm 12.30m² and \pm 1896.56m² in extent respectively as Street

Morning Ms Basson

The Roads Authority has no objection to the proposed development activities.

Regards

EAM de Paauw

From: Bronwynn Basson < bronwynn@spc.com.na>

Sent: Wednesday, 19 February 2020 15:16

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Annexure D: Resolution	Keetmanshoop Municipality Council

Keetmanshoop Municipality

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Enquiries: G.D. Andries Tel no: +264 63 221242 gdandries@gmail.com 13th of March, 2019

Stubenrauch Planning Consultants CC P.O. Box 41404 Windhoek www.spc.com.na

Attention: Mr. Gunther Stubenrauch

Dear Sir

RE: TOWN PLANNING AND CONTROL OVER ERVEN:

- CONSOLIDATION OF ERVEN 159, 161 AND 162 INTO CONSOLIDATED ERF X, KEETMANSHOOP;
- CONSENT USE TO OPERATE AND CONSTRUCT AN INSTITUTIONAL BUILDING (PRIVATE HOSPITAL – THAT INCLUDES ANCILLARY SERVICES SUCH AS A PHARMACY, MEDICAL OFFICES AND TUCK SHOP) ON THE CONSOLIDATED ERF X (ERVEN 159, 161 AND 162) AND THE PROPOSED REZONED ERF 163, WHILE THE CONSOLIDATED AND REZONING IS IN PROCESS AND
- REZONING OF ERF 163, KEETMANSHOOP FROM "RESIDENTIAL 3" TO "BUSINESS 2"

REF: 15/1/5/6

Your application letter regarding the above-mentioned subject bears reference.

Council on its Eleventh (2017/2018) Ordinary Council meeting held on 28th of November 2018, under item 291 resolved as follows, that:

- 1. Council approves the Consolidation of Erven 159, 161 and 162 into consolidated Erf X, Keetmanshoop;
- Council grants consent use to operate and construct an Institutional Building (Private Hospital – that includes ancillary services such as pharmacy, medical offices and tuck shop) on the consolidated Erf X (Erven 159, 161 and 162) and the proposed rezoned Erf 163, while the consolidation and Rezoning is in process;
- 3. Council approves the Rezoning of Erf 163, Keetmanshoop from "Residential 3" to "Business 2" and;

4. Applicant to pay applicable betterment and endowment fees.

Should there be any uncertainty, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

2019

Mr. Desmond Nicodemus Basson CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Annexure E: Environmental As		of

STEPHANIE STRAUSS

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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DRIVERS LICENSE CODE 08
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EMPLOYMENT RECORD

APRIL 2019- PRESENT-

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONER, GCS WATER AND

ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

Project co-ordination

Environmental Assessment

Client Liaison

Stakeholder Engagement

Authority Liaison

Environmental auditing and monitoring.

JULY 2016-MARCH 2019

JUNIOR EAP, AFRICA PLANNING FORUM

Technical Report Writing

Impact Assessment Environmental Management Planning

Environmental Compliance and Monitoring

Stakeholder Engagement

JULY 2013-JUNE 2016

TOWN PLANNER TRAINEE, STUBENRAUCH PLANNING CONSULTANTS

Statutory Planning

Structure Plan Baseline research and Report Writing

Environmental Assessment

GIS Base Mapping Structure Plans

2010

STUDENT ASSISTANT, UNIVERSITY OF NAMIBIA

TECHICAL EXPERTISE

- Project management
- Impact assessment
- Public participation and stakeholder engagement
- Environmental management and mitigation
- Environmental monitoring and auditing
- Client engagement

EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION

2019- PRESENT

MPHIL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT, STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY

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HONOURS DEGREE IN GEOGRAPHY AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES), UNIVESRITY OF NAMIBIA

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Environmental Assessment Practitioners of Namibia (EAPAN) [Exco member 2020] Namibia Institute of Town and Regional Planners (NITRP)

SKILLS

- Computer literate and equipped with skills in GIS and Remote sensing- ArcView, Microsoft Word, PowerPoint and Excel
- ReGis- Basic Knowledge

ArcMap and ILWIS