

#### APPENDIX C- EVIDENCE OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION

The following was advertised in the 'Republikein, Sun, and Allgemeine Zeitung' newspapers on the 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021.



The following was advertised in the 'Republikein, Sun, and Allgemeine Zeitung' newspapers on the 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021.





### APPENDIX C.2 SITE NOTICE AND STAKEHOLDERS LETTER



## NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES ON EPL 5445 FOR BASE AND RARE METALS, PRECIOUS METALS, IN THE ERONGO AND KUNENE REGIONS, NAMIBIA

Environmental Compliance Consultancy cc (ECC) hereby gives notice to the public that an application for an environmental clearance certificate in accordance with the Environmental Management Act, No. 7 of 2007 will be made as per the following:

Annlicant

Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP):

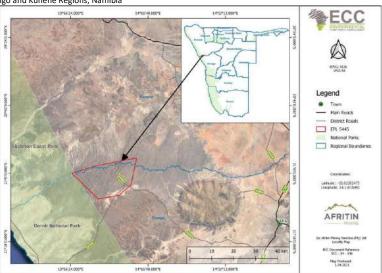
Location: Project ID: Uis – Afritin Mining Namibia (Pty) Ltd Environmental Compliance Consultancy Erongo and Kunene regions, Namibia

ECC-84 - 346

**Proposed Project Activity:** The proponent, Uis – Afritin Mining Namibia (Pty) Ltd, propose to undertake exploration activities on EPL 5445 and EPL 5670 for base and rare metals, precious metals in the Erongo and Kunene regions, Namibia.

The site can be accessed via the D2303 road. Exploration methods may include an airborne electromagnetic survey (non-invasive, coarse line spacing) and ground truthing: soil and rock-chip sampling, geological mapping and geophysical surveys. Exploration sampling and drilling may occur at a later stage should initial test results appear viable.

Location: Erongo and Kunene Regions, Namibia



**I&APs Registration:** The purpose of the review and registration period is to introduce the proposed project and to afford Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) an opportunity to register and comment on the Non-Technical Summary (NTS), to ensure that potential issues and concerns are brought forward, so that they can be considered and assessed during the impact assessment process.

I&APs and stakeholders are required to register for the project at: <a href="https://eccenvironmental.com/projects/">https://eccenvironmental.com/projects/</a>

The team at ECC will then maintain contact with all registered I&APs to engage and to keep them informed as the ESIA process develops. ECC will also provide registered I&APs input opportunities and review periods throughout the assessment process.



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## SITE NOTICE





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#### STAKEHOLDERS LETTER SUBMITTED



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ECC Ref. ECC-84-346-LET-10-A 21 April 2021

Identified Stakeholder and Potentially Interested Party for: Uis - Afritin Mining Namibia (Pty) Ltd Exploration Activities

Dear Sir or Madam:

RE: NOTIFICATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES ON EPL 5445 AND EPL 5670 FOR BASE AND RARE METALS, INDUSTRIAL MINERALS AND PRECIOUS METALS, IN THE ERONGO AND KUNENE REGIONS, NAMIBIA.

Environmental Compliance Consultancy (ECC) has been engaged by Uis - Afritin Mining Namibia (Pty) Ltd (the Proponent) to act on their behalf for the environmental clearance certificate application in terms of the Environmental Management Act, No. 7 of 2007 for the proposed exploration activities activities on EPL 5445 and EPL 5670 for base and rare metals, industrial minerals and precious metals in the Erongo and Kunene Regions, Namibia

This letter is intended to engage potentially Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) of the project and provide a communication channel to ECC for the project. You have been identified as an, interested or affected party and therefore ECC wishes to inform you of how you can interact with the ESIA

The proposed project is to conduct mineral exploration activities. Specific areas of focus will be developed by the proponent on which initial exploration activities will commence in certain areas (e.g. outcrop inspection or mapping, soil and rock chip sampling, and a low-level coarse-spacing airborne survey). As part of the proposed exploration project, the following activities are thus envisaged, which shall be confirmed, as the exploration program is refined:

- · Airborne geophysical survey (non-invasive, coarse line spacing);
- · Potential creation of access tracks, where existing tracks cannot be utilised;
- Limited vegetation clearing for the creation of tracks, and survey access; and
- Ground exploration activities may include soil and rock-chip sampling, geological mapping, geophysical surveys, temporary trenching, drilling and drill-core sampling.

Public participation is an important part of the ESIA process, as it allows the I&APs to obtain information about the proposed project and provide feedback. Communication with the I&APs occurs at various stages throughout a project lifecycle including:

- · Advertising in newspapers; public notice boards (already done);
- Distributing a Non-Technical Summary (NTS) to identified I&APs; available on line at (https://eccenvironmental.com/projects/)

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- Registered I&APs will also be informed of the available draft scoping report for a review period, during
  this period I&APs will have the opportunity to review the draft document and raise any issues or
  concerns, and
- I&APs who wish to register as such must do so on the ECC website as per the link provided below: https://eccenvironmental.com/projects/

If you are unable to complete the registration form online, please contact us via email for assistance. info@eccenvironmental.com

ECC values community input and participation in our projects and we look forward to working with you as the project develops.

Should you have any questions or require additional information please do not hesitate to contact either of us.

Yours sincerely,

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## Exploration activities on EPL 5445 and EPL 5670

Exploration activities on EPL 5445 and EPL 5670 for base and rare metals, industrial minerals and precious metals in the Erongo and Kunene regions

The proposed project involves the exploration activities for base and rare metals, industrial minerals and precious metals on Exclusive Prospecting Licences (EPLs) 5445 and 5670 in the Erongo and Kunene regions, operated by Uis – Afritin Mining Namibia (Pty) Ltd.

The proposed exploration activities are generally low-impact and non-intrusive. The exploration activities may be 'scaled up' depending on exploration findings. The following are envisaged during the proposed project:





## **APPENDIX C.3**

Commentary log of comments received from registered I&APs.



#### LOG OF ALL COMMENTS AND RESPONSES GENERATED THROUGHOUT PUBLIC CONSULTATION

NO.	CHAPTER	SECTION	I&AP / STAKEHOLDER COMMENT RECEIVED	STAKEHOLDER DETAILS	RESPONSE / CLARIFICATION					
	COMMENTS RECEIVED BASED ON THE ADVERTS PUBLISHED AND THE NON-TECHNICAL SUMMARY PROVIDED TO REGISTERED INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES									
(I&A	(I&APS)									
1	-		We would like to be invited to public consultations and kept up to speed on any proposed developments.  Any possbile disturbance of black rhino in the region.  I have suggested that the communal conservancies in the area get in touch with your office to register as I&AP.  These are: i. sorris sorris conservancy ii. Doro !nawas iii. Tsiseb iv. Uibasen/Twyfelfontein	Rhino conservation in NW Namibia andrew@rhino-trust.org.na +264816987631	Standard I&AP email					
2.	-		Dear sir/madam Kindly register me as an Interested and Affected Party (IAP) on behalf of the National Botanical Research Institute (NBRI). If the Background and Information Document (BID) is available, please forward it to me as well.  Our concern is mainly on the vegetation that will be disturbed when it boils down to vegetation clearance to accommodate machinery, roads/tracks, or structures (even just temporary ones) The location of this project lies in the QDS 2114AA, and this area is known for Welwitschia and Hoodia sp. occurrence.	Vanessa Stein Forestry Tel: +264-61-2022013 Fax: +264-61-258153 E-mail: Vanessa.Stein@mawf.gov.na webpage: www.nbri.org.na	Standard I&AP email					



			We have done a preliminary data sytraction from aux betaries database for						
			We have done a preliminary data extraction from our botanical database for						
			this QDS and have found 29 endemic species, of which 4 are protected. These						
			protected species include:						
			- Hoodia currorii subsp. currorii						
			- Aloe asperifolia						
			- Moringa ovalifolia						
			- Welwitschia mirabilis						
			Recommendations:						
			A full botanical study must be conducted by qualified botanist on account of						
			the fact that the proposed project will impact the vegetation (including						
			possible rare and threatened plant species). The NBRI must be contacted to						
			request a list of species for that specific QDS 2114AA. Areas that will be						
			impacted by infrastructure/vegetation clearance should be searched for						
			vulnerable species (possible relocation of species if need be).						
3	-	-	Wants to be registered	Jürgen Hoffmann	Standard I&AP email				
				heidehoffmann@gmx.net					
4	-	-	For your reference, we recently build a N\$ 20 million tourist camp in a JV with	OFFICE: +264 (0) 61 248137	Standard I&AP email				
			the Doro !Nawas Conservancy in the area north of the proposed mining area	24-HOUR EMERGENCY: +264 (0) 81					
			(farm Witwatersrand), so would probably be impacted by things such as	141 2275 or					
			blasting or any impact on the resident rhino population.	emergency@ultimatesafaris.na					
				tristan@ultimatesafaris.na					
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COM	COMMENTS RECEIVED BASED ON THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT AND EMP PROVIDED TO REGISTERED INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES (I&APS)								