# Dickson gets Welwitschias caretaker role



# **Young Warriors' plans** fall through







# Kawana accused of sabotaging Seaflower/Fischor deal

• ESTER MBATHERA

THE chairperson of the African Selection Fishing Namabia (ASFN) has accused minister of fisheries and marine resources Albert Kawana of acting unlaterally in an attempt to cancel the designation and cooperation agreements of the joint venture project between his company and the National Fishing Corporation of Namibia Limited (Fishcor).

The attempt to cancel the deal was made last September. In a statement, Adriaan Louwsaid the minister's actions are tantamount to sabotaging the joint venture investment agreement between the two companies on which the Seaflower Pelagic Processing (SPP) wetlanded horse mackerel fishing factory at Walvis Bay was established.

The joint venture was promulgated in the Government Gazette and created Seaflower Pelagic Processing in which ASFN owns 60% and Fishor 40% shares, Louw says he is alarmed that the minister relied on remarks made by deputy judge president Hosia Angula in a matter where Angula was not required to assess the legality of the underlying agreement or the government promulgations.

"As a legal expert, minister Kawana, relying on an incorpoint rect legal and former former legal and former care former legal and former care fo



engaged in any corrupt activities and fails to understand why the minister failed to allocate 25 000 metric tons of borse mackerel quota to the joint venture in 2020. No quota has been allocated to SFP to date, which Loaw says is to the destinent of both joint venture partners. He claims that his companies are not on a warpath with the government, and they will remain committed to finding an of all parties concerned and to ensure job security for the work. With no alternative route the matter to arbitration.

COURT RULING COURT RULING
In his judgement in September
last year, when Seatlower Pelagic attempted to stop minister
Kawana from selfing fishing
quotas through a public auction, judge Angula said:"I
have carefully considered the
terms and conditions of the two
agreements ji.e. the cooperation
agreement and the designation
agreement and could not find
any clause which obliges the
government to actually provide government to actually provide 50 000mt of horse mackerel to

Judge president Housa Angulas was not required to assess the legality of the underlying agreements or the government promulgations.

"As a legal expert, minister Kawana, relying on an incorrect legal and factual basis, and entirely without a mandate from Cabinet, caused irreparable harm and damages to the

# Covid-19 Top Statistics

Most effected countries United States: 27 193 649 conferred inte 488 217 deaths Indix: 10 858 971 cases; 155 252 deaths Brazik: 9 599 565 cases; 233 520 deaths

Most effected African countries
South Africa: 1 479 253 conferend infections
48 696 deaths
1 367 247 recover
Morrocco: 476 125 cases; 8 424 deaths
Tunisia: 218 564 cases; 7 332 deaths

Source: Johns Hopkins University; Ministry of He and Social Services; South Africa Department of Health; Zambia Ministry of Health







# Grapes galore in the north

### · ANNA SHINANA

THE northern part of Namibia is a hive of activity as hundreds of people flock to the region, bringing with them hundreds of boxes of grapes for sale, in a bid to ease their financial



# Swanu: Replace food bank with BIG













# Orphanage struggles to stay afloat

# Naomab to promote financial sustainability

The Nambia University of Science and Technology (Nauf) newvice chancellor, Erold Naomah, has said promoting financial solationability well be one of his key goals during his tenure.

A robing ceremony was on Tuesday held for the new vice chancellor, whose appointment was announced last month. Speaking during the ceremony.

Naomah said while it is indisportable that Nust cannot function without government subsidies, lits of paramount miportance that the institution, on its part, also scales up its efforts to diversify income streams. Tam convinced that we still eventually the said that the institution from being technology technical forms going to offer be used to offer budget reductions, investible to students well become reality and improve our financial standard the university community has and the university community has confidence in Naomabis leadership and his sound understanding of changing the higher education landscape in Nambia all solvability of the said that Nust an account of the proposition of the university community has an add the university community has onlidence in Naomabis leadership and his sound understanding of changing the higher education landscape in Nambia all poloally.

The Nust Council is confident that in Naomab, we have found a suitable and cademic, strategic and transformational leadership and vision for the university.

We can therefore expect to see him leading the university in implementing its recently approved strategic plan," and Nakusera.

She further stated that Naomab demonstrated the required senior executive leadership experience in higher education and an understanding of the operations and affairs of a university environment during the interview process.

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Prior to his appointment, Naomab served as assistant pro vice-chancelor at the University of Namibia's (Unam) southern campus.

He holds a PhD from the University of Nottingham and a Master of Research in Strategic Resource Management from Nottingham Trent University, as well as a Bachelor and Master of Science qualifications from Unam.

Nampa

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### Obrein Simasiku

OMUTHIYA - Agriculture minister Calle Schlettwein will undertake a tour to the north with a view to familiarise himself with the situation on the ground in the Northern Communal Areas (NCAs) that have been battling the foot-and-mouth disease since last year.

The minister's mission will begin in Oshikoto today, where he will engage the farmers, traditional authority and veterinary services

# Schlettwein to visit FMD-stricken areas

to listen and as well as share the ministry's plans on how to contain and mitigate the further spread of the disease.

Schlettwein will proceed to Oshana, Omusati, Ohangwena, Kavango West and Kavango East, where he will as well engage the leadership, inspect irrigation farms, animal disease and vaccination checkpoints.

Meanwhile, in an FMD update on Monday, chief veterinarian Dr Albertina Shilongo said vaccination and surveillance in the NCAs are ongoing and no animals are allowed to be moved from infectious areas or crush

"In the case of Kavango West and East, movement of animals in and out of the region is allowed. However, movement of cattle within the two areas for the purpose of slaughtering is allowed for as long it is done in 72 hours, also should have a permit and inspected before slaughtering by veterinary officials. The cattle must also be tagged and have a valid vaccination permit now less than 30 days and not older than six months,

In the same vein, she said, live cattle from FMD free zone into the disease management areas (DMAs) are allowed under strict conditions, including possession of a valid permit and for the purposes of slaughtering only.

All these procedures should be made with the full knowledge and presence of veterinary officials.

Small livestock are allowed from FMD free zone and within the DMAs for breeding

**How !Nara melon sustains community** 

### **Eveline de Klerk**

ALVIS BAY – Harvesting and selling of the !Nara melon has been a traditional norm carried on by many generations of the Topnaar community living along the Kuiseb River in the Erongo

The !Nara melon has been sustaining many families among the Topnaars, of whom many survive by selling !Naras and small-scale farming.

New Era this week visited the area and caught up with locals, who were busy extracting what they referred to as Topnaar gold'. The product is later sold in Walvis Bay and surrounding areas. One of the local men, Johannes Uirab, who has been living at the settlement since birth, said the process can take about six hours, while drying can take an additional day before the product is ready for the market. "!Naras are loved not only in Namibia but all over the world," said Uirab, while stirring the 100-litre drum he cooks the plant in. According to him, they first take an entire day to harvest the !Naras.

"They are usually ripe from November until February. Once we bring them home, we cut them open and remove all the content in a bucket before it is gradually added to the drum to cook," he explained.

Anna Beukes added they make various products from the !Nara melon. "Some of the melons are nicely ripe that we make can make !Nara milk from its juice. This can be used as juice and can also be used as a basis to make pap with flour," Beukes said.

 $She added \, the \, pastes \, are \, also \, separated \, from \, the \, seeds$ and can be eaten once dry. "That, we refer to as Nama chocolate, which is a highly nutritious food source full of vitamins and minerals," she said.

According to Beukes, the selling of !Naras has been just one of the ways her people sustain themselves throughout the years, especially with the growing number

Break time... Johannes Uirab takes a break from stirring the !Nara pot that takes six hours to be fully cooked. Photos: Eveline de Klerk

The final product... The !Naras seeds and 'Nama chocolate' ready for consumption.

of unemployed youth and the severe drought.

Another member of the Topnaar community Butros Beukes says they can until June sustain themselves with the !Nara they have just processed. He said, on a good day, they can make about N\$2800 from a five litre bucket.

"This is better than being unemployed, especially now that we are facing Covid-19," he said.

According to him, they had a woman from Swakopmund who would pay them much better, as she uses the melon to make various products by extracting its oil. "However she hasn't come back to buy due to Covid-19," he said. - edeklerk@nepc.com.na



# **Shack fire leaves** man homeless

### Aletta Shikololo

A Windhoek man was left homeless when a fire at Goreangab destroyed his shack on Tuesday.

"I am homeless and hopeless. I have lost everything I owned in that fire," the 42-year-old fire victim Antonius Petrus told New Era yesterday.

Petrus lives alone and he was not home when the fire started. Petrus, who has been living in the same location for many years, was bemused to what could have caused the fire, adding that nobody could tell where the fire came from.

According to him, he was away for a night when he received a call from his sister, informing him that his shack was on fire.

"Upon arrival at my shack, I found everything burnt down. I cannot put into words how devastated I feel right now; I have lost my car and all my belongings," he explained.

Petrus added that his story is just as sad as the next person on the streets trying to think of ways to survive from one day to the next.

"I have to start from scratch, and I don't even know where to start," said the unemployed father of four. Petrus' sister Susan Vaino's shack also caught fire, although the damage is minimal.

"Although I have also lost few items such as the TV, microwave and the bed, I am glad the neighbours and other community members managed to save the shack," she said.

Petrus is pleading for help from good Samaritans. "People can help with the little they have," he said.

In a telephonic interview with New Era, Samora Machel constituency councillor Nestor

> Kalola said his office will look into ways to assist the fire

> victim. "Wehaveadvised him to follow the right channels by acquiring a letter from the Windhoek

fire brigade and also a declaration letter from the police, and we will take it from there. Our office has also assisted with four iron sheets and poles," he said.

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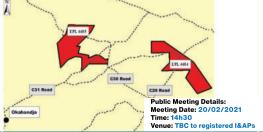
NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT: EXCLUSIVE PROSPECTING LICENSES NO.4404 & 4405 LOCATED NORTH EAST OF OKAHANDJA TOWN IN THE OTJOZONDJUPA REGION, NAMIBIA Under the Environmental Management Act No. 7 of 2007 and its 2012 EIA Regulations, the proposed exploration activities on the Exclusive Prospecting Licenses No. 4404 & 4405 requires an Environmental Clearance Certificate from the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) before commencement.

Therefore, the public is hereby notified that an application for Environmental Clearance Certificate will be submitted to the Environmental Commissioner.

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Proponents: Gazania Investment Four Hundred and Twenty Three (Pty) Ltd Environmental Consultants: Excel Dynamic Solutions (Pty) Ltd

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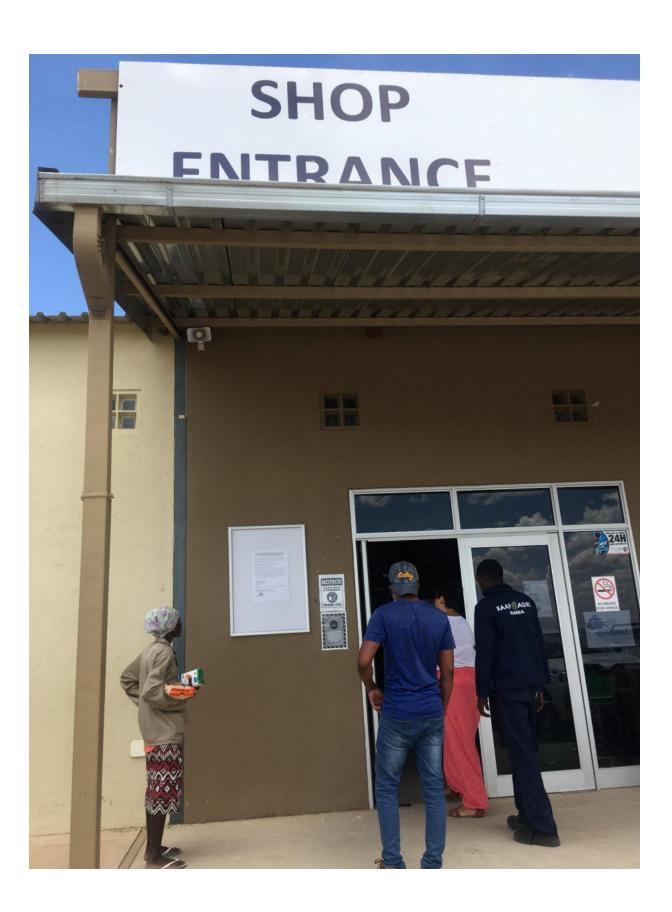




Devastating... Antonius Petrus lost everything in the fire that destroyed his shack.-Photo: Aletta Shikololo









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From: Excel Dynamic Solutions Pty Ltd <info@edsnamibia.com>

**Sent:** Thursday, 18 February 2021 10:12 AM **To:** rosem@edsnamibia.com; 'Althea Brandt'

Subject: FW: EPL

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From: Merwe Fourie <merwe@flexpro-tech.com> Sent: Thursday, February 18, 2021 9:44 AM

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Subject: EPL

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<u>tech.com</u>				
Phone #: +264 81 1247740				
Fax #:				
My initial comments, issues or concerns are:				

I have heard about this project very recently from co-farmers. To realize now only that a meeting will be held at Hochfeld coming Saturday is problematic since there is just now way for me to attend on such short notice.

My question is what was done from your side to at least contact all the landowners up front? And I like to answer it on your behalf. Absolute nothing!!!!! How difficult a process could that have been? It seems your company want to get things rolling without our knowledge and/or participation.

I therefore strongly object to the proposed meeting. Please make an effort to contact at least all the land owners and set a date for a meeting with a bit more time to allow us to make plans to attend.

Other individuals, stakeholders, organizations or entities that should be registered are: Name:			
Merwe Fourie			

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# List of Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) Environmental Assessment for Exclusive Prospecting License (EPL) No. 4404 & 4405 in the Otjozondjupa and Omaheke Region

No	Name	Position			
	Ministry of Environment and Tourism (Department of Environmental Affairs)				
1.	Mr. Teofillus Nghitila	Executive Director			
2.	Mr. Timoteus Mafeti	Environmental Commissioner			
3.	Dr. Sonja Loots	Manager: Threatened Plants Programme (MEFT: Forestry department)			
	Gazania Investment Four Hundred and Twenty-Three (Pty) Ltd (Proponent)				
4.	David Abraham Shikwambi	Senior Manager			
	Ministry of Works and Transport				
5.	Ms. Esther Kaapanda	Executive Director (Acting)			
6.	Ms. Monica A. Uupindi	Personal Assistant to Executive Director			
	Ministry of Agricu	Iture and Land Reform			
7.	Mr. Percy Misika	Executive Director			

No	Name	Position	
8.	Mr John Hailwa	Directorate of Forestry - Director	
	Ministry of Wo	orks and Transport	
9.	Mr Willem Goeiemann	Executive Director	
10.	Ms. Monica A. Uupindi	Personal Assistant to Executive Director	
	Ministry of Urban	and Rural Development	
11.	Mr N. Daniel	Executive Director	
12.	Ms. Rosalia Ruben	Secretary to Executive Director	
13.	Ms. B. van Wyk	Personal assistant to the ED	
	Ministry of Health and Social Services		
14.	Mr. Ben Nangombe	Executive Director	
15.	Ms. Petty Tjaimba	Personal Assistant to the Executive Director	
	Ministry of Mines and Energy		
16.	Mr Simeon Negumbo	Executive Director	
	Roads	s Authority	
17.	Mr C. M. Lutombi	Chief Executive Officer	
18.	Mr E. de Paauw	Senior Specialist Road Legislation, Advice & Compliance NP&C	

No	Name	Position		
	National Heritage Council			
19.	Mrs Erica Ndalikokule	Acting Director		
20.	Ms Agnes Shiningayamwe	Regional heritage officer		
21.	Mr Manfred Gaeb	Regional heritage officer		
22.	Ms Lucia	Admin		
23.	Mr. Solomon April	Director		
24.	Dr. A.M. Nankela	Archaeologist & Heritage Specialist		
	Otjozondjupa Regional Council			
25.	Hon. Otto Ipinge	Regional Governor		
26.	Ms. Cornelia Shikongo	Chief Regional Officer		
27.	Ms. Sonia liyambo	Governor's Secretary		
28.	Mr Beatus Okeri Kasete	Acting CEO / Director Planning and Development		
	Okahandja	a Town Council		
29.	Hon. Steve Biko Boois	Regional Councilor		

No	Name	Position
30.	Ms. Maggy Sheya	Personal Assistant
	Omaheke R	Regional Council
31.	Hon. Governor Laura Mcleod	Regional Governor
32.	Phillip Katamelo	Councillor
33.	Sydney Mashebe	Secretary to Governor
34.	Ms. Maria Vaendwanawa	Acting CRO
35.	Gase	Private Sec to CRO
36.	P. U. Tjihoreko	Director: Planning and Development
37.	Ms. Jagbeth Karuuombe	Deputy Director: Planning and Development
38.	Steve Keib	Deputy Director: Human Resources
39.	K. Tjijenda	Deputy Director: Rural Services
40.	N. W. Meroro	Development Planner
41.	Helena M. T. Lutombi	Director: Development Planning
42.	Itah Ndjarakana	Regional Economic Planner
43.	Hon. Kilus Munjuku K. Nguvauva	Steinhausen Councillor
44.	S.W. Imasiku	Chief Control Officer

No	Name	Position			
	Owners / Occupiers of Land and Neighbouring Property Owners				
45.	Mary-Jane Kauvere	Assistant to Hon Councillor (Hon Abdal Mutjavikua) - Okakarara Constituency			
46.	Marion Ritter				
47.	Ulrich and Heike Ritter				
48.	Mr Helmut Förtsch Chairman	Imkerhof Farmers union			
49.	Mr Yorck Ritter Secretary	Imkerhof Farmers union			
50.	Mrs Hella Coetzee	Hochfeld Farmers Union			
51.	Kay Dieter Rumpf	Van Zyl – No. 244			
52.	Jacobus Ackerman Van Moltke	Okatjomboa – No. 243			
53.	Daniel Beltsazar Delport	Otjomanga – No. 258			
54.	Ella Murangi	Travena – No. 259			
55.	N/A	Okathomboa – No.242			
56.	Indhlunkulu Farm (Pty) Ltd.	Rem of Mimosa – No. 984			
57.	Const & Christa Ngaritjindue Kakunde	Ptn 4 of Mimosa No. 984 (Otjitotongua)			

No	Name	Position
58.	Kaitira Erwin & Kapimbua Puumue Joyce	Rem of Ptn 1 of Mimosa- No. 984
59.	Horst Ernst Emil Ronsart Hubertus Conrad-Redam	Ptn 2 of Lawriesdale No. 338 (Hartebeespoort)
60.	Johannes Marthinus Mostert	Lawriesdale – No.338
61.	Alfred Meyer	Springvale – No. 337
62.	Orban Investments Nineteen cc	Rem of Meyerville – No. 825
63.	Sandveld Geloftefeeskimitte	Ptn of Meyerville – No. 825
64.	Karl Hermann Heiner Seeger	Okasondana – No. 264
65.	Ernst Theodore Meyer	Evare New – No. 1086
66.	Keilands CC	Keilands – No. 334
67.	Keywest Farming CC	Mbuende Ranch – No. 1095
68.	Jakarta Investment (Pty)	Keizen – No. 1061
69.	Arnold & Naomi Tjipura	Ibeka – No. 229
70.	Oparakaan CC	Rem of Summerdown – No. 333
71.	Summerdown Enterprises CC	Ptn 2 of Summerdown – No. 333
72.	Ursula Fried Voster	Ptn 5 (ptn of ptn 3) of Summerdown – No. 333
73.	Ebenezer Jordaan van Zijl	Rem of Wesselsput – No. 656

No	Name	Position
74.	Johanna Elizabeth Viviers	Ptn 1 of Wesselsput – No. 656
75.	Horst Heinrich Kurf Kronsbein	Hintza – No. 1009
76.	Maria Tjihero	Ptn 1 of Cala Noord – No. 577
77.	Bimbo & Tabitha Tjihero	Rem of Cala Noord – No. 577
78.	Johannes Andreas Jacobus Blaauw	Welverdiend – No. 652
79.	Tjivingurura Ngeendina Mbuende	Undhlunkulu – No. 331
80.	Okatjekure Farming CC	Rem of Okatjekuri – No. 263
81.	Evelyn Joyce Witte	Rem of Dwessa – No. 228
82.	Willem Abraham Viviers	Ptn 1 of Dwessa – No. 228
83.	Azor Tjatu Hijaunguru	Ptn 1 of Okavarumendu (Libra) – No. 262
84.	Ragel Kajovi	Rem of Okavarumendu
85.	Anna Gurtel	A – Otjongo – No. 140
86.	David Tjitandi	B – Otjongo – No. 140
87.	Hannelore Margarethe Jipsen	C – Otjongo – No. 140
88.	Walter Farming Company (Pty) Ltd	Rem of Otjongo – No. 140
89.	David Tjitandi	Engondo – No. 138

No	Name	Position
90.	Coenraad Lukas Prinsloo	Okatjetswambo – No. 137
91.	Sidney Wilfred Martin	Klawerjas – No. 218
92.	S.W.A Ranches Incorporation CC	Prinshoek – No. 217
93.	At Dreyer	Euodia – No. 214
94.	Horstensia Farming CC	Hortensia – No. 213
95.	Trustees for the time being of the Faber Family Trust	Kameelputt – No. 211
96.	Christiaan Heronimus Bornman	Weiveld – No. 261
97.	S.J.H Augusteyn Farming Company (Pty) Ltd.	Nooitgedag – No. 209
98.	Patrick Kaute	Rem of Mahnbrun (Erindi Osomboka) – No. 223
99.	Government of the Republic of Namibia	Paloma (Stormberg) – No. 227
100.	Leonardus Dirk Van Schalkwyk	Consolidation Ptn 57 (a ptn of ptn 8) (Stormberg) – No. 227
101.	Leeben Investments CC	Heuwelsrus (Woltemade) – No. 254
102.	Erongo All Sure / Insurance CC	Ptn 1 (Kalkwerf) of farm Florence (Graspan – No. 249)
103.	Terence Stanley Shepperson	Welgemoed (Okapanda) – No. 248
104.	Clasina Martins	Excelsior (Okatjeru) – No. 233
105.	Vertoef Farming (Pty) Ltd	Vertoef (Okamonbonde) – No.243

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106.	Ernst Edward Lamprecht Shepperson	Prelude (Hinbrechts) – No. 246
107.	Volker Heing Harmwoortman	Omatako View (Klein Okatjeru) – No. 256
108.	TLP Investments Ninety One (Pty) Ltd	Vredelus (Vredendal) – No. 257
109.		Erindi Osombaka – No. 223
110.		Sannaspost – No. 224
111.		Goedgeluk – No.225
112.		Buffelsjag – No. 250
113.		Friesland – No. 495
114.		Alkmaar – No. 228
115.	Merwe Fourie	Farm owner
116.	Marco Heimstadt	I&AP
117.	Hella Coetzee	Hochfeld Farmers Union
118.	Ben van der Merwe	Managing Director & Legal Practitioner
119.	K.H. & S. Heimstädt	Farms Arcadia S, Arcadia N and Hartebeespoort
120.	Rienie & Marius du Plessis	I&AP
121.	Hettie Oosthuizen	I&AP

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122.	Summerdown	I&AP
123.	Bernhard Vente	I&AP
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135.	H. Oosthuizen	I&AP
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139.	R.D Ritter	Ritter Safaris
140.	Eben-John Niewoudt	Njamo Energy
141.	T. G Grobler	Farmer
142.	C. de Klerk	Farmer
143.	K. D Kronsban	Farmer
144.	H. Riedel	Farmer
145.	E.V Niekerk	Farmer
146.	J. J Dauth	Farmer
147.	P.J Botha	Farmer



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17 February 2021

NOTIFICATION TO LANDOWNERS IN TERMS OF SECTION 52 OF THE MINERALS (PROSPECTING AND MINING) ACT, 33 OF 1992, AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, NO. 7 OF 2007, THAT GAZANIA INVESTMENT FOUR HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THREE (PTY) LTD HAS BEEN GRANTED PROSPECTING LICENCE RIGHTS FOR EPLS 4404 & 4405, LOCATED NORTHEAST OF OKAHANDJA IN THE OMAHEKE AND OTJOZONDJUPA REGION, NAMIBIA. THE COMPANY HAS CONTRACTED EXCEL DYNAMIC SOLUTIONS (PTY) LTD'S CONSULTANTS TO CONDUCT AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE LICENCES.

NOTIFICATION LETTER: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT STUDY

Dear Key Stakeholder,

### Introduction

Excel Dynamic Solutions (Pty) Ltd has been appointed by Gazania Investment Four Hundred and Twenty-Three (Pty) Ltd to conduct an Environmental Assessment (EA) study on their behalf, and submit an application Environmental Clearance Certificate to the Environmental Commissioner in accordance with the Environmental Management Act (No. 7 of 2007) and its 2012 EIA Regulations. The assessment study is for proposed exploration works on the EPLs 4404 & 4405.

### Request

As part of the public consultation process, you have been identified as a key interested and affected party, with respect to the exploration activities on the licenses. Table 1 below illustrates a list of farms found in the vicinity of the EPLs. Should you wish to respond to this communique, and/or send us any potential issues and input that you would like to be considered as part of the impact assessment process and addressed in the environmental scoping report, please reach out to our office before or on **Monday**, 15 **March 2021.** The site public meeting is scheduled for **Saturday**, 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2021 at 11H00.

THEREFORE, this letter serves to invite the affected Farmer/s to the Public Meeting, and to:

- 1. Acknowledging receipt of the (this) letter.
- 2. Indicate your preferred method of communication
- 3. Provide your comments in writing to our offices to the following address: P.O. Box 997154, Maerua Mall, Windhoek, 9000; Email: info@edsnamibia.com or if hand delivered: 112 Robert Mugabe Avenue, Windhoek.

Table 1: List of farms covered by the EPLs' area.

Farm Name.	Farm Name.
Farm Van Zyl – No. 244	Farm Okatjekuri (Rem) – No. 263
Farm Okatjomboa – No. 243	Farm Dwessa (Rem) – No. 228
Farm Otjomanga – No. 258	Farm Dwessa (Ptn 1)– No. 228
Farm Travena – No. 259	Farm Okavarumendu (Libra) (Ptn 1)– No. 262



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Farm Okathomboa – No.242	Farm Okavarumendu (Rem)
Farm Mimosa (Rem)– No. 984	Farm A – Otjongo – No. 140
Farm Mimosa (Ptn4) – No. 984 (Otjitotongua)	Farm B – Otjongo – No. 140
Farm Mimosa Rem of Ptn 1 - No. 984	Farm C – Otjongo – No. 140
Farm Lawriesdale (Ptn 2) No. 338 (Hartebeespoort)	Farm Otjongo (Rem) – No. 140
Farm Lawriesdale – No.338	Farm Engondo – No. 138
Farm Springvale – No. 337	Farm Okatjetswambo – No. 137
Farm Meyerville (Rem)– No. 825	Farm Klawerjas – No. 218
Farm Meyerville (Ptn) – No. 825	Farm Prinshoek – No. 217
Farm Okasondana – No. 264	Farm Euodia – No. 214
Farm Evare New – No. 1086	Farm Hortensia – No. 213
Farm Keilands – No. 334	Farm Kameelputt – No. 211
Farm Mbuende Ranch – No. 1095	Farm Weiveld – No. 261
Farm Keizen – No. 1061	Farm Nooitgedag – No. 209
Farm Ibeka – No. 229	Farm Mahnbrun (Erindi Osomboka) (Rem) – No. 223
Farm Summerdown (Rem) – No. 333	Farm Paloma (Stormberg) – No. 227
Farm Summerdown (Ptn 2) – No. 333	Farm Consolidation Ptn 57 (a ptn of ptn 8) (Stormberg) –No. 227
Farm Summerdown (Ptn 5 (ptn of ptn 3) – No. 333	Farm Heuwelsrus (Woltemade) – No. 254
Farm Wesselsput (Rem) – No. 656	Farm Florence (Graspan Ptn 1 (Kalkwerf))— No. 249
Farm Wesselsput (Ptn 1)– No. 656	Farm Welgemoed (Okapanda) – No. 248
FarmHintza – No. 1009	Farm Excelsior (Okatjeru) – No. 233
Farm Cala Noord (Ptn 1) – No. 577	FarmVertoef (Okamonbonde) – No.243
Farm Cala Noord (Rem)– No. 577	FarmPrelude (Hinbrechts) – No. 246
Farm Welverdiend – No. 652	FarmOmatako View (Klein Okatjeru) – No. 256
Farm Undhlunkulu – No. 331	Farm Vredelus (Vredendal) – No. 257
Farm Buffelsjag – No. 250	Farm Erindi Osombaka – No. 223
Farm Friesland – No. 495	Farm Sannaspost – No. 224
Farm Alkmaar – No. 228	Farm Goedgeluk – No.225

Please contact our office should you have any input and/or concerns regarding this project.

Yours faithfully,

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### **PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:**

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA) FOR THE EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES ON EXCLUSIVE PROSPECTING LICENSES (EPLS) NO. 4404 & 4405 LOCATED NORTHEAST OF OKAHANDJA IN THE OMAHEKE AND OTJOZONDJUPA REGION, NAMIBIA

Date: 13 March 2021

**Time:** 11:00

**Venue:** Hochfeld Guesthouse, Otjozondjupa Region

### INTRODUCTION AND WELCOMING REMARKS

Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant) welcomed those in attendance, briefly explained the project and the Environmental Assessment process as well as the purpose of the meeting.

The meeting was attended by the affected farmers in the vicinity of EPL 4404. Please refer to the signed attendance register at end of this document.

Mr. Tjelos attempted to give a brief introduction and explain the environmental assessment process, but the audience had some concerns and questions before start of presentation. Thereafter, the public was given the opportunity to have an interactive session with the Environmental Consultants, during which they could submit their comments, issues and suggestions.

The following issues and comments were recorded and are presented in the Table 1 below. Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) names are not recorded as most of the I&APs did not introduce themselves before posing questions, raising issues or providing inputs.

Table 1: Comments and issues raised during the public meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> of March 2021 at the Hochfeld Guesthouse.

Comment/ issue	Issue / comment / question	Response and name of responder:
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I&AP (1)	What is the use of filling in our	Nerson Tjelos: At the last meeting you scratched out the
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	email addresses on the list?	email addresses, that may be why you did not receive
	Because we have not received	any notifications from our side.
	anything regarding this meeting.	
	I have not received any notice	Nerson Tjelos: We always notify in all the emails we
	about this meeting from your	sent, for the fellow farmers to help with communicating to
	office. The only way I received	their neighbors who might be affected. Unfortunately, we
	notice is from a fellow farmer.	mostly have postal addresses and registered mails takes
		a while to reach everyone.
		We have notified councilors as well about this project. It
		is unfortunate that mail has not reached you yet.
I&AP (2)	We have not received any	Nerson Tjelos: Point well noted.
	registered mail from your	
	company. You have to show proof	
	that you have notified each and	
	every person affected.	
	The problem is that your office has	Nerson Tjelos: We have taken all the right steps to
	not reached out to most of the	reach the farmers in the affected areas. We get the
	farmers that are affected by these	farmers details from Ministry of Land. It is unfortunate
	projects. You should have brought	that some details reach the previous owners and not the
	the attendance register from the	current owners.
		current owners.
	last meeting as proof that people	
	scratched out their email	
	addresses.	
	Your company has not done their	Nerson Tjelos: We comply with Environmental
	part in correctly notifying all the	Management Act. It is clear that if you are not happy with
	affected farmers about these	how the consultant has done their work, you can
	meeting and you saying that you	approach the Ministry. Even after we are done with the
	did not send emails because those	study, you have 14 working days to raise your concerns.
	were scratched out is incorrect.	
	You do not notify all these farmers	
	because you just want to finish	
	with your part and get paid.	
	You need to put up notices on	Nerson Tjelos: We do put up notices at the site of the
	each and every farm.	meeting
I&AP (3)	The proponent is part of Ministry	Nerson Tjelos: Mr. Shikwambi is not working for Ministry
	on Mines?	of Mines. He is an Independent business man.
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### **FINAL REMARKS AND CONCLUSION**

Final remarks from Mr. Nerson Tjelos was that all comments will be taken into account when discussing the details for the exploration works with the Client.

Mr. Tjelos thanked everyone in attendance for their time and contribution. The finalized meeting minutes will be included in the Environmental Assessment report.

The meeting was adjourned at 11h38

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# **Public Meeting Attendance Register**

PROJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA) FOR EXCLUSIVE PROSPECTING LICENSES (EPLs) NO. 4404 & 4405 LOCATED NORTH-EAST OF OKAHANDJA TOWN IN THE OTJOZONDJUPA REGION, NAMIBIA

Venue: Hochfeld Guesthouse

Date: Saturday, 13 March 2021

Time: 11H00

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**Date:** 13 March 2021

**Time:** 15h00 (actual starting time 15h15)

Venue: Summerdown Hall, Otjozondjupa Region

### INTRODUCTION AND WELCOMING REMARKS

Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant) welcomed those in attendance, briefly explained the project and the Environmental Assessment process as well as the purpose of the meeting.

The meeting was attended by Farmers in the EPL 4405 area. Please refer to the signed attendance register at end of this document.

Mr. Tjelos (Environmental Consultant) explained the EIA process and the assessment period. He gave details on the project Background Information Document (BID). Thereafter, the public was given the opportunity to have an interactive session with the Environmental Consultants, during which they could submit their comments, issues and suggestions.

The following issues and comments were recorded and are presented in the Table 1 below. **Interested and Affected Parties** (I&APs) names are not recorded as most of the I&APs did not introduce themselves before posing questions, raising issues or providing inputs

Table 1: Comments and issues raised during the public meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> of March 2021 at Summerdown Hall at 15h00.

Comment/ issue by:	Issue / comment / question	Response and name of responder:
I&AP (1)	If someone is applying for a prospecting within the first 6 months you have to conduct an EIA. He had the license for 10 years and he never did an EIA?	We could not access previous studies done on that EPL.  There should have been an environmental management plan that should have been generated and should have shown how they managed the impacts then.

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Comment/ issue by:	Issue / comment / question	Response and name of responder:
I&AP (2)	If the proponent comes to our farms he should show us the clearance certificate.	Correct. When the proponent comes to you the first time he should negotiate an access agreement after he received the clearance certificate.
I&AP (3)	This license is only for 6 months? From what date is the six months started?	Since this is a renewal, the Ministry advised that there should be a consultant that has to validate the study that was previously done. The only date I have is an application for renewal for last year November.
	No one in these meetings have ever been notified of the study that was previously done. No one has ever heard of that previous study from 2010 until now.	The previous license for both EPLs were only Prospecting work done on EPL 4404, but he holds both EPLs.
I&AP (4)	Who pays the consultant for this EIA?	The proponent pays the consultant.
I&AP (5)	Does this mean that anyone can get a license?	There is a limit. You can get a license up to hundred thousand hectares. There is a scale of what it costs for a license.
I&AP (6)	Do you have an idea what it costs for a 100 000 hectare license?	That would be about N\$ 10 000. And it is only valid for three years upon which it should be renewed.
I&AP (7)	Who is the owner of Gazania Investments?	Mr. David Shikwambi is the owner of Gazania Investments.
I&AP (8)	Why can you not show us the previous EIA that was done? How can we trust the previous EIA? If no farmer can say that in the last ten years someone has come to them for a public meeting.  How can we trust the owner if we do not know of that previous study?	We are conflicting parties. We cannot get that study since we are also environmentalist and they fear we might duplicate their work.
I&AP (9)	Who can I approach to request for the previous study?	You can approach the Directorate of Environmental Affairs, if not, they can direct you to the correct entity.

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I&AP (10)	Can you put it in writing that the farm owners have requested for the previous study? We will collect the report. It is concerning that we do not know about the previous study?	Yes, I can assist with that.
I&AP (11)	When this report is done and he has the report and clearance, and someone comes to our farms to ask for access, and when we get that approach, who will compensate me for my time to access my farm? Because I cannot leave my farm open for access when I am not there.	There should be an access agreement. There should be a discussion between the farm owners and the proponent to come to an agreement which makes both parties happy.
	Can I refuse him access to my farm?	You are not allowed to refuse entry. You can however agree on terms for the proponent to enter your farm. But there will be officials that can allow the proponent with the clearance certificate to enter your property.
I&AP (12)	In the full EIA will we have a say in that studies done by all the specialist?	Yes, it follows the same rules as this EIA.
I&AP (13)	How many people will come the first time to explore on the farm?	Normally that would be less than 8.  Which would be field technicians. They are not there all the time. That is not an exact amount but it should be included in the access agreement.
	Can they come and go over a period of the 3 years? Or do they come and finish that area and move to the next area?	Those are all conditions that should be laid out in the agreement. They can come take samples and take to the lab, and come back after a while. That is only because they cannot wait for the results to move to another area.
I&AP (14)	Was there a deadline for the comments?	No, we cannot move forward if there is still concerns that need to be taken up. We will forward another deadline after this meeting.

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Comment/ issue by:	Issue / comment / question	Response and name of responder:
I&AP (15)	Will we get compensated for our time taken for going through the report and sending in our concerns	These reports are long, but the point of sharing with you is that we have addressed your concern. You can go to that report or go straight to the table with concerns.
I&AP (16)	How deep does the proposed testing (drilling) be?	It is not defined in the scoping.
	Can that be defined how deep it will be?	The nature of defining the depth is that you should have an idea of what you want. You need to understand the nature of your ore body.
	Can I keep them responsible for not keeping to the agreement? For example, if they use too much water or contaminate my water source?	It should be stated in the agreement. If the proponent uses the land, they have to make sure that they rehabilitate the area.
I&AP (17)	Should we get a legal representation at our own cost?	Unfortunately, yes. If you do not want to use the standard agreement, than you should have your own legal representation present when the agreement is set up.
I&AP (18)	What are the people looking for?	They are basically looking for base and rare metals. That will be iron and copper.
I&AP (19)	But they already explored the whole Summerdown 30 years back?	If prospecting shows that there is no commodity in this area. Then they move to the next portion

# FINAL REMARKS AND CONCLUSION

Final remarks from Mr. Nerson Tjelos was that all comments will be taken into account when discussing the details for the exploration works with the Client.

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Once again Mr. Tjelos thanked everyone in attendance for their time and contribution and lastly apologized for the late arrival due to issues with transport. The finalized meeting minutes will be included in the Environmental Assessment report.

The meeting was adjourned at 16h53.

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PROJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA) FOR EXCLUSIVE PROSPECTING LICENSES (EPLs) NO. 4404 & 4405 LOCATED NORTH-EAST OF OKAHANDJA TOWN IN THE OTJOZONDJUPA REGION, NAMIBIA

Venue: Summerdown Fu Hall

Date: Saturday, 13 March 2021

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**PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:** 

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE EXCLUSIVE PROSPECTING LICENSES (EPLs) NO. 4404 AND 4405,

LOCATED NORTHEAST OF OKAHANDJA IN OTJOZONDJUPA/OMAHEKE REGION, NAMIBIA

Date: 20 February 2021

**Time:** 11h00

Venue: Hochfeld Guest House

INTRODUCTION AND WELCOMING REMARKS

Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant) welcomed those in attendance and briefly explained the

project.

The meeting was attended by farm owners, as well as members of the Imkerhof Farmers Union and Hochfeld

Farmers Union. The attendance register was initially signed by the farm owners, who later opted to redact

their signatures since they stipulated that they do not want their signature to be a part of the meeting

register until another meeting is arranged with the client present as well. This will be arranged for the

second meeting.

Mr. Tjelos attempted giving a brief introduction but the farm owners had some concerns and questions which

they were eager to get answers to. The members present were given the opportunity to have an interactive

session with the Environmental Consultants during which they could submit their comments, issues and

suggestions.

The following issues and comments were recorded and are presented in the **Table 1** below.

Table 1: Comments and issues raised during the first public meeting on the 20 February 2021, at

Hochfeld Guesthouse.

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Comment/ issue by:	Issue / comment / question	Response and name of responder:
I&AP (1)	You are all from the environmental company? None of you are from the mining company?	Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant): We are all from the same team. No one is from Gazania.     Gazania is not a mining company per se, they are an investment company and hold the two licenses.
	Nine holes are present on my farm.	Point well noted by the     Environmental Consultants.
	A list of all the shareholders of Gazania and all the previous companies that they had invested interest in before must be provided.	Point well noted by the     Environmental Consultants.
	Email all the proof registered mail that has been sent out.	Point well noted by the     Environmental Consultants.
	Using registered mail and putting notices in the newspapers is no use.	Point well noted by the     Environmental Consultants.

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I&AP (2)	• When was the notice for this meeting sent out?	• Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant): The notices are done in different phases. One is the notification done through newspapers, which was done two weeks back. In a farming environment, it is quite difficult to get the email addresses and cellphone numbers, so we go through the Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform whereby they provide us the farm details. Normally, we only receive the postal addresses. We then send out registered mail to all the affected farm owners indicated on the maps, it's a question of whether they have come through or not. But we work according to the schedule as proposed at the very initiation stage. The notices are done two weeks prior.

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	• In the newspapers?	• Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant): In two different newspapers. For farmers we normally send registered mail. The other approach we try is that which we did in this case as well, is that if we get manage to get the contact details of one farmer, we try by all means to humbly request their advice or to communicate the information to the rest of the farmers. And other farmers will start to contact us through their email addresses.
I&AP (3)	Once you have been registered as a concerned party, then you should receive all communications concerning this issue.	• Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant): That is correct. Throughout the process, whether it is the draft reports, any updates we have, communications from the ministries regarding their decision on the project, you should be able to get if you are registered as a concerned party on the database.

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	I registered, I got a confirmation that I was registered, but I only learnt from the grapevine that a meeting is to be held today.	Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant): Once you are registered, we attach a Background Information document (BID) which is summary of the project and the information about the meeting. Perhaps it was not put in the email text, but it is put in the document that is attached.
	For the sake of transparency, the entire list of concerned parties should be circulated that way the farmers are able to notify each other to contact you as it is in their best interest to do so.	Point well noted by the     Environmental Consultants.

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	Will the fact that this meeting was held affect my rights?	<ul> <li>Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant): No, you have every right to directly raise your concerns to the competent structures that the government has out in place, such as the Directorate of Environmental Affairs or Mining Commissioner, if you are not happy with anything in the report or in the meeting that has been held. These concerns are then viewed against the report to determine whether the project proceeds or whether the concerns are first addressed.</li> <li>Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant): Additionally, another 14 days is granted after the report is submitted to raise any other concerns</li> </ul>

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	Previous prospecting work had been done without an EIA.	Point well noted by the     Environmental Consultants.
	Your final report will be submitted to the concerned authorities. How will I know when that happens?	Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant): Before submission, it is first circulated to all the stake holders.
	I am not an environmentalist, how can I on a fear basis give an input that is not flawed?	Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant): That is the standard anywhere in any part of the country. What we want from you are your concerns. And they will be put in the report as they are.
I&AP (4)	When will the next meeting be held? You sent out a map, which you received from the mining company, where each farm is indicated, you did not go through the trouble of notifying the farm owners, myself included. Therefore, half of the affected people are not here because they have not been notified.	Point well noted by the     Environmental Consultants.

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I&AP (5)	Is this meeting a legal requirement in terms of the process?	Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant): Yes, it is. It is in the Environmental Act.
	This meeting cannot continue because you have not contacted everybody. We cannot meet with you because we are not environmentalists and have no environmental experience. We need to have representation from another environmental company to protect our rights.	• Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant): We have no issues with holding another meeting as we have been contracted to carry out this process. The consolation for any exploration works is for any stakeholders, who have interest and feel affected by the project. Which is the aim of this presentation, to explain where we are, where we are coming in and then take it from there
	The company that employs want a relationship with the farmers and if this is how they want to start the relationship, we stop it right here.	Point well noted by the     Environmental Consultants.
	Who is going to pay for the farmers' environmentalist and all other legal costs?	Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant): The law states that the proponent that wants a study to be done, facilities that process.

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	EDS wants to fulfil its legal requirement and say that the meeting is done.	Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant): If you are registered with us, any communication after this meeting and even before, you will be privy to. You will have access to all the report and have every right to disagree with it.
	We will not have this meeting before there is a signed agreement between the farmers and the mining company regarding the funding for the farmers legal and environmental representation.	• Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant): The issue of the EPL owner hiring consultants and legal representation on behalf of the farmers, is out of our scope of work.  And the raised concerns will be put in the report.

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I&AP (6)	• If we have to go through the presentation, just to go through it again in a couple of weeks, then it is unnecessary for us to be here. We are not fully represented. I am not here only as a farmer, but also on behalf of our conservancy, our farmers' association and different business entities. I heard of this meeting a little over a week ago. It has to be published in at least two local newspapers. This has to be done at least a month before the meeting is to be held and this has not happened. We are not represented by legal representation of a company that does environmental studies, which we should be as we are not experts on this matter, so our interests are not covered.	Point well noted by the Environmental Consultants.
	Previous issues with the Ancillary Rights     Commission have lead distrust between the farmers     and Ministry of Mines and Energy.	Point well noted by the     Environmental Consultants.
	No previous land rehabilitation efforts have been made by either the previous prospecting company or by the Ministry of Mines and Energy.	Point well noted by the     Environmental Consultants.

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I&AP (7)	<ul> <li>The final notification in the local newspapers has to be done more than 30 days before the meeting.</li> <li>The notice was not printed 21 days before.</li> </ul>	Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant): The consultation period when conducting a scoping study is 21 days. Which means, within those 21 days the advertisement is done and meeting is carried out. More time is facilitated if there is a need for an extension.
I&AP (8)	No farmers have received the registered mail.	Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant): We have proof of communication and it will be emailed to you.
I&AP (9)	You should have a list of all the farmer, their contact details and addresses.	Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant): We have a list and it will be emailed to you.
I&AP (10)	Representation from the mining company should be present to engage with the farmers.	Point well noted by the     Environmental Consultants.

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I&AP (11)	Will you as a company come out personally to each farm to be shown around to see to our concerns?	• Mr. Nerson Tjelos (Environmental Consultant): This is the ignitions stage where we will get the concerns of the stakeholders and we will access those concerns on site. Unfortunately, this will not happen on all the farms as they are normally the same. Previous damages are accessed, the extent and causes are determined, and mitigation measures for the future are given. The report does not only paint the picture of the damage, but provides management plan i.e how they should operate once the project is granted for as long as the license is active.
	Send emails to the secretaries of the two Farmer's     Associations: Imkerhof Farmers Union and Hochfeld     Farmers Union, concerned with the two EPLs, they     will not mind sending information to members and     non-members.	Point well noted by the     Environmental Consultants.

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### FINAL REMARKS AND CONCLUSION

Final remarks from Mr. Nerson Tjelos was that all comments will be taken into account when discussing the details for the exploration works with the Client.

Once again Mr. Tjelos thanked everyone in attendance for their time and contribution and lastly apologized for the late arrival due to issues with transport. The finalized meeting minutes will be included in the Environmental Assessment report.

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