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Memorandum

**Subject: EIA APPLICATION APP 002850
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR HOPE NAMIBIA
MINERAL EXPLORATION (PTY) LTD'S EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES ON EPL
6605, LOCATED EAST OF THE NAMIB NAUKLUFT NATIONAL PARK –
OVERLAPPING THE ERONGO AND KHOMAS REGIONS
Submission of the final EIA report to the Ministry of Mines and Energy
(MME)**

The EIA process for the above-mentioned project has been completed. The Final EIA report was submitted to the MME (i.e. Competent Authority for the proposed activity) on the 01st of December 2021, for their review and consideration.

Once MME has completed their review, they will share the report as well as their recommendations with the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (MEFT): Department of Environmental Affairs (i.e. office of the Environmental Commissioner) for their final review and decision regarding the application (MEFT Application number - APP-002850).

A "Consent Letter" can therefore not be uploaded by ASEC at this stage, due to the fact that the correspondence will take place between MME and MEFT, as per the above mentioned.