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PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Untouched Safaris Namibia and TARIUK International intend to establish a lodge on the Liedure Islands in the Nikase Rupara National Park and a Community Campatte for the Debt Community

PROJECT INVOLVEMENT: Liadura Island Lodge Development & Dtozi



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# **Gasperini blasts Lookman for** missing penalty

Atlanta coach Gian Piero Gasperini said his striker Ademola Lookman is "one of the worst penalty-takers he has ever seen" after his miss from the spot hindered a comeback in their home 3-1 defeat to Club Brugge in the Champions League.

Lookman pulled back one goalearly in the second halfaffer Brugge took a 3-0 halfaffine lead, but then had a penalty saved by goalkeeper Simon Mignolet, as the Serie A side were knocked out with a 5-2 aggregate defeat.

Gasperini singled out the Nigeria international for criticism, adding offensive midfielder Charles de Ketclaere or striker Mateo Retegui should have taken the penalty instead.

"Lookman was not supposed to take that penalty, he is one of the worst penalty-takers I've ever seen. He has a frankly terrible record, even in training, he converts very few of them.

Retegui and De Ketelaere were there, but Lookman in a moment of enthusiasm after scoring decided to take the ball, and that was a gesture I did not appreciate at all." the Italian manager toldapost-match press conference.

Gasperini also criticised Atalanta captain Rafael Toloi, who was shown a straight red card for a shove on Maxim de Cuyper after an argument over a throw-in.

"That was an ugly incident, and we must never lose our heads. Atalanta must leave the Champions League with dignity, having played great games against the likeso fica al Madrid, Arsenal and Barcelona," he said.

Atalanta, third in Serie A, became the second Italian side to exit the Champions League, following AC Milan, who drew I-I with Feyenoord, losing 2-1 on aggregate.

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## Opportunities for Diversification and Modernization

While the challenges are significant, the potential decline of Nissan and Honda in Namibia also presents opportunities for diversification and modernization of the country's vehicle market. One potential outcome is the accelerated adoption of EVs and hybrid vehicles. With Japanese automakers struggling to compete in the EV space, Chinese manufacturers like BYD and Chery could seize the opportunity to introduce affordable, technologically advanced alternatives. Chinese automakers have been aggressively expanding their global footprint, particularly in the EV segment, and Namibia

could benefit from this trend. The introduction of more EVs and hybrids would align with Namibia's increasing focus on sustainable energy solutions and could be further supported by government incentives for EV adoption. However, the lack of EV infrastructure, particularly charging stations, remains a critical barrier. Without significant investment in this area, widespread adoption of EVs may remain slow and concentrated in urban centers.

The Role of Government and Industry Stakeholders

The Namibian government and industry stakeholders have a crucial role to play in navigating this transition. Policymakers could incentivize the adoption of EVs and hybrids through favorable import duties, tax incentives, and trade agreements. Additionally, investments in EV infrastructure, such as charging stations, will be essential to support the growth of this segment. Industry stakeholders, including dealerships and importers, may need to explore partnerships with emerging automakers, particularly those from China and Europe, to diversify their supply chains and mitigate potential disruptions. Adapting to shifting consumer demand and embracing new technologies will be key to ensuring the long-term sustainability of Namibia's automotive sector.

Conclusion: A Pivotal Moment for

## Namibia's Automotive Sector

The struggles of Nissan and Honda, coupled with the collapse of their proposed merger, underscore the mounting competitive pressures facing traditional automakers in the global transition to EVs. For Namibia, these developments present both risks and opportunities. While the potential decline of these brands could disrupt the country's automotive supply chain, it also opens the door for a more diverse and modernized vehicle market. By diversifying supply chains, embracing new technologies, and implementing supportive policies, Namibia can navigate this pivotal moment and position itself for a sustainable and competitive automotive future. The coming years will be critical in shaping the trajectory of the country's vehicle market, with government action and industry adaptation playing key roles in determining the outcome.

## NOTICE FOR PUBLIC MEETING

## **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

SM Dynamic Environmental Consultants cc hereby gives notice to all potentially Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) that an application will be made to the Environmental Commissioner in terms of the Environmental Management Act (No 7 of 2007) and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations (GN 30 of 6 February 2012) for the following:

**PROJECT NAME**: New development of a Lodge on the Liadura Island in the Nkasa Rupara National Park and a Campsite for the Dzoti Community at Malengalenga, Zambezi Region.

PROJECT LOCATION: Malengalenga (Linyanti Constituency) & Sangwali (Judea Lyamboloma Constituency), Zambezi Region.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Untouched Safaris Namibia intend to establish a lodge on the Liadura Islands in the Nkasa Rupara National Park and a Community Campsite for the Dzoti Community at Malengalenga. Following the Environmental Management Act (No 7 of 2007) and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations (GN 30 of 6 February 2012), such a proposed development requires an Environmental Clearance from the Ministry of Environment & Tourism.

PROJECT INVOLVEMENT: Liadura Island Lodge Development & Dtozi Community Campsite

Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP): SM Dynamic Environmental Consultants Public Meeting Date: 03 March 2025

Venue: Dzoti Conservancy Office Time: 09:30

# REGISTRATION OF I&APs AND SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS:

In accordance with Namibia's Environmental Management Act (No 7 of 2007) and EIA Regulations (GN 30 of 6 February 2012), all Interested &Affected Parties are hereby invited to register and submit their comments, concerns, or questions in writing via Email at <a href="mailto:info@smdynamic.org">info@smdynamic.org</a> or 081 270 8055 on or before 31 March 2025.





SM Dynamic Environmental Consultants P O Box 8387 Swakopmund

February 24, 2025

The Secretary
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Dear Secretariat

INVITATION TO A PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETING FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) PROCESS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A LODGE ON LIADURA ISLAND IN THE NKASA RUPARA NATIONAL PARK AND A CAMPSITE FOR THE DZOTI COMMUNITY AT MALENGALENGA.

Notice is hereby given that Untouched Safaris intends to establish a new lodge and community campsite within the Linyanti and Judea Lyamboloma Constituency. An application will be submitted to the Environmental Commissioner for an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) in accordance with the Environmental Management Act No. 7 of 2007 and the Environmental Impact Assessment regulations (GN of 6 February 2012).

SM Dynamic Environmental Consultants has been appointed to facilitate this EIA process on behalf of the Proponent. A meeting is scheduled to take place at the **Dzoti Conservation**Office on Monday, March 3rd, 2015, at 09:30. In accordance with the Environmental Management Act (No. 7 of 2007) and EIA Regulation (GN 30 of 6 February 2012), all stakeholders and interested parties are required to register and submit their comments, concerns, or questions in writing via email at <a href="mailto:info@smdynamic.org">info@smdynamic.org</a> or contact us at 081 270 8055 on or before March 31, 2025.

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