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MEMORANDUM

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From:  George Simataa, (Ph.D)
Secretary to Cabinet

Date: 5 February 2019

SUBJECT: CABINET DECISIONS ISSUED AT THE 1st (2019)
DECISION MAKING MEETING



The above subject matter has reference.

I have the pleasure to forward to you the under attached Decisions issued at the 1st (2019) Decision Making Cabinet meeting held on 5 February 2019, for your perusal and subsequent release to the media.

Kindly accept, dear colleague, the assurances of my consideration.

1. REPORT ON THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WORLD INVESTMENT FORUM 2018 AND UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT (UNCTAD), HELD IN GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, FROM 22-25 OCTOBER 2018: Submitted by the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of International Relations and Cooperation

Cabinet took note of the report on the Tenth Anniversary of the World Investment Forum 2018 and United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), and direct the following Offices/Ministries/Agencies (O/M/As) to take action in their areas of responsibility, as reflected below:

- a) Office of the President: to consider that, His Excellency, Dr. Hage G. Geingob, the President of the Republic of Namibia, attends the Horasis Global Meeting in Cascais, Portugal, scheduled for 6 April 2019, as a Guest of Honor, and proceed to the Annual Investment Meeting in Dubai on 8 April 2019;
- b) Ministry of Health and Social Services: to start immediately with the preparations for Namibia to host the Southern African Development Community (SADC) Conference on HIV/AIDS in Namibia, during Namibia's Chairmanship of SADC, and that the Ministry of International Relations and Cooperation as SADC Focal Point coordinates with the Ministry of Health and Social Services in the hosting of the said Conference;
- c) Ministry of Labour, Industrial Relations and Employment Creation: to start with the preparations for hosting the International Labour Organisation (ILO) Centenary Event during the first quarter of 2019, in collaboration with the ILO;
- d) Ministry of Industrialization, Trade and SME Development:
 - i) to start with the preparations for both the Horasis Global meeting, and the Annual Investment meeting;
 - ii) to start engaging Horasis in preparations for a Summit in Namibia that will facilitate Namibia becoming a hub for Africa, to host regional Headquarters for global companies;
 - iii) to act on the proposals made during the Luncheon, pertaining to the involvement, contribution, and investment of the private sector in sustainable development initiatives; and
 - iv) to follow-up with the Office of the Secretary-General of UNCTAD on how Namibia can benefit from EMPRETEC;

- e) Ministry of Education, Arts and Culture: to look into the possibility of acquiring historical documents on Namibia's liberation struggle from the United Nations office in Geneva, for Namibia's National Archives;
- f) Ministries of Labour, Industrial Relations and Employment Creation; Gender Equality and Child Welfare; Industrialization, Trade and SME Development; Health and Social Services; Environment and Tourism; International Relations and Cooperation; National Planning Commission: to continue participating in the deliberations aimed at enhancing the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), at relevant forums;
- g) Ministry of Sport, Youth and National Service, and the Office of the President (Presidential Advisor on Youth matters): to prepare issues for discussion between the President of the Republic of Namibia and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) Minister of Youth; and
- h) Ministry of Poverty Eradication and Social Welfare: to form part of the delegation to the Investment Meeting, and prepare for the President's meeting with the Food and Security Minister of the United Arab Emirates.

2. SIGNING OF THE REVISED ORANGE-SENQU WATERCOURSE COMMISSION (ORASECOM) AGREEMENT: Submitted by the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Forestry

- 1. Cabinet authorized the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Forestry to sign on behalf of Namibia, the Revised Orange-Senqu Watercourse Commission (ORASECOM) Agreement, and subsequently table the Agreement in Parliament for ratification; and
- 2. Cabinet authorized the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation to effect the ratification and deposit the instrument of ratification with the depository, on behalf of Namibia.

3. REPORT ON CROP PROSPECTS AND FOOD SECURITY SITUATION: Submitted by the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Forestry

1. Cabinet directed the Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Forestry, in collaboration with Regional Councils, to monitor the situation and respond accordingly in areas affected by poor agricultural production through:
 - a) Identification of food insecure people and requesting food assistance from the government; and
 - b) Repair and installation of boreholes, and where possible, water tanker services to the affected areas.
2. Cabinet directed the Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Forestry to advise farmers in the areas affected by poor grazing conditions to take the necessary precautionary measures which include among others, destocking and culling while livestock are in good condition; and
3. Cabinet further directed the Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Forestry to ensure timely and sufficient allocation of production inputs and expedite the repair of government tractors, in order to enhance productivity in the crop growing regions during the cropping season.

4. 2015/2016 and 2016/2017: ANNUAL REPORTS AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE NAMIBIA WILDLIFE RESORTS (NWR): Submitted by the Minister of Environment and Tourism

Cabinet took note of the information contained in the above-mentioned Annual Reports and Audited Financial Statements and authorised the Minister of Environment and Tourism to table the said Report in the National Assembly.

5. 2016: ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMUNAL LAND BOARDS: Submitted by the Minister of Land Reform

Cabinet took note of the information contained in the above-mentioned Annual Report and authorised the Minister of Land Reform to table the said Report in the National Assembly.

**6. 2018: ANNUAL REPORT AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE ELECTRICITY CONTROL BOARD (ECB):
Submitted by the Minister of Mines and Energy**

Cabinet took note of the information contained in the above-mentioned Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements and authorised the Minister of the Mines and Energy to table the said Report in the National Assembly.