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SUBJECT:

CONDUCT OF BY-ELECTION FOR ONDANGWA URBAN

CONSTITUENCY IN THE OSHANA REGION

The Electoral Commission of Namibia (ECN) is at an advanced stage with preparations for the conduct of the Ondangwa Urban Constituency by-election scheduled to take place on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2019. The vacancy occurred on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2019 when the then sitting Councilor, Hon. Irimari Kaulifewangali Elia was appointed as Governor of the Oshana Region. According to the Regional Councils Act, if a vacancy occurs in a particular constituency office, the Electoral Commission is obligated in terms of the law to conduct a by-election in that particular constituency within 90 days from the date the vacancy occurred.

To this end, a Supplementary Registration of Voters will take place from 10-12 April 2019. The ECN hereby urges all individuals who are resident in the Ondangwa Urban Constituency and are eligible to be registered as voters to go to designated supplementary voter registration points in the Constituency.

In order to be registered as a voter in the upcoming Ondangwa Urban Constituency byelection, an individual should be a resident of the Ondangwa Urban Constituency, he/she should be 18 years and above, he/ she must be able to identify him/herself and he/she must be a Namibian citizen. The supplementary registration of voters is aimed at registering new applicants; individual voters who have changed address and those who have lost their voter cards.

All designated supplementary registration points will open at 08h00 until 19h00 as indicated below in the timetable for the Supplementary Registration:

TEAMS	VENUE	DATE	NO OF DAYS	TIME
Fixed 101	-Oluno Community Hall	10-12 April	3	08h00-19h00
Semi-Fixed 201	-Ondangwa Town Council	10 April	1	08h00-19h00
	-Ondangwa trade and Industrial Centre	11-12 April	2	08h00-19h00
Semi-Fixed 202	-Omkwiyu gwaNashindiga Church	10-11 April	2	08h00-19h00
	-Olukolo Primary School	12 April	1	08h00-19h00
Semi-fixed 203	-Oshitayi Primary School	10 April	1	08h00-19h00
	-Omashaka Open Space	11 April	1	08h00-19h00
	-Onguta ELCIN Church	12 April	1	08h00-19h00
Semi-fixed 204	-Shinime Shivula Primary School	10 April	1	08h00-19h00
	-Onankome Pension point	11 April	1	08h00-19h00
	-Andimba Toivo YaToivo SS	12 April	1	08h00-19h00
Semi-Fixed 205	-SOS	10 April	1	08h00-19h00
	-Eputa Community hall	11 April	1	08h00-19h00
	-ABC Open market	12 April	1	08h00-19h00
Semi-Fixed 206	-Omwandingwelia Community hall	10 April	1	08h00-19h00
	-Ondangwa Police Training Centre	11 April	1	08h00-19h00
	-Red Cross Centre (Uupopo)	12 April	1	08h00-19h00
Semi-Fixed 207	-Omashaka puKamanya	10 April	1	08h00-19h00
	-Ondangwa Youth Office	11-12 April	1	08h00-19h00
	-Ondjondjo Open market		1	08h00-19h00

Semi-Fixed 208	-Etambo Combined School	10 April	1	08h00-19h00
	-Oluno Rehabilitation Centre	11 April	1	08h00-19h00
	-Oluno Military Base	12 April	1	08h00-19h00

The Nomination of candidates will commence on 19 April 2019. The submission of nominations in the case of the Independent candidates is the 4<sup>th</sup> of May 2019. The last day of Nomination and submission of candidates for political parties is the 6<sup>th</sup> of May 2019. Ms. Rauna Nkandi has been appointed by the Commission as the Supervisor of Registration and is also expected to be the Returning Officer during the Ondangwa urban constituency by-election on the 15<sup>th</sup> of June 2019 and can be contacted at cell phone no: 0814624853. The ECN is committed to the consolidation of our democracy and will ensure the process is credible to all participants and stakeholders.

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