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SUBJECT: THE 2019 PRESIDENTIAL AND NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
ELECTIONS SCHEDULE

The Electoral Commission of Namibia (ECN) is pleased to inform the Namibian nation that no objections were recorded during the inspection of the provisional voters register during the period 2nd-6th September 2019. The provisional voters register was displayed for inspection at 280 designated venues countrywide and at Namibia's Foreign Missions abroad to provide registered political parties, political organizations and registered voters the opportunity to inspect and object against the inclusion of the name of any person(s) on the provisional register that is not entitled or so qualified to be registered as a voter.

The ECN is currently busy with the execution of the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) to remove duplicate entries as well as conduct manual adjudications and the removal of

deceased persons from the register. This process is necessary in order to ensure the publication of a credible voters' register. The notice announcing the availability of the final voter's register will be published in the Government Gazette on the 6th of November 2019.

Going forward, the ECN would like to share with the general public the following important activities on the 2019 Presidential and National Assembly Election Calendar.

NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE 2019 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS AND MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

The period of Submission of Nominations of candidates for the 2019 Presidential elections and members of the National Assembly will commence from the 1st -18th October 2019.

In terms of Section 64 (1) (a) (i) of the Electoral Act, a proclamation will be published in the Government Gazette on 30th September 2019, announcing the publication of the nomination period by the President. The date determined for the submission of nominations in the case of Independent candidates is 16th October 2019. The 18th of October 2019 has been determined as the date on which the Commission receives the submission of nominations of political party candidates for the election to the Office of the President and members of the National Assembly at a sitting by the Commission.

VOTING ABROAD & VOTING OF SEA GOING PERSONNEL

The **13th November 2019** has been determined as the date on which voting will take place at Namibia's Foreign Missions abroad as well as voting of Sea going personnel. The Namibian Defence Force (NDF) and the Namibian Police security personnel who will be performing electoral duties on 27th of November 2019 will also cast their votes on 13th November 2019.

ELECTION DAY

The Election Day for the 2019 Presidential and National Assembly elections has been determined in terms of Section 64 (3) (b) of the Electoral Act and will take place on **27th November 2019**.

The ECN is currently busy with other logistical preparations in a number of areas including the selection and recruitment of additional polling officials, identification and confirmation of polling venues, establishment of Constituency Collation Centres, reviewing and preparing logistics for the training programmes of polling officials, working out transport logistics and preparing equipment and materials to be used during the forthcoming elections.

Finally, the ECN would like to assure all stakeholders, the electorate and the Namibian public at large, that preparations for the forthcoming elections are well on course.

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