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REGIONAL COUNCIL BY ELECTIONS FOR THE OTJIWARONGO AND OPUWO RURAL CONSTITUENCIES

The Electoral Commission of Namibia (ECN) held a consultative meeting with the Political Party Liaison Committee (PLC) authorized representatives on Friday, 14th February 2020. The meeting discussed the manner of casting votes during the forthcoming Opuwo Rural and Otjiwarongo Constituency by-elections in light of the landmark Supreme Court Judgement of 05th February 2020.

Meeting participants unanimously agreed to the usage of manual ballot papers during the aforementioned by-elections as provided for in the Electoral Act, Act 5 of 2014.

Thirteen political parties were in attendance at the said meeting and consented to the use of paper ballots. The political parties are as follows:

1. All Peoples Party (APP)
2. Christian Democratic Voice Party (CDV)
3. Landless People's Movement (LPM)
4. Namibia Economic Freedom Fighters (NEFF)
5. National Democratic Party of Namibia (NDP)
6. National Patriotic Front (NPF)
7. National Unity Organisation of Namibia (NUDO)

8. Popular Democratic Movement (PDM)
9. Rally for Democracy and Progress (RDP)
10. Republican Party of Namibia (RP)
11. Swanu of Namibia (SWANU)
12. Swapo of Namibia (SWAPO)
13. United People's Movement (UPM)

Lastly, the ECN hereby wishes to inform the Namibian nation that consultations will be held with stakeholders during March/April 2020 with a view to discuss different options regarding the manner of voting in future elections.

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