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**HON MINISTERS
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YOUR WORSHIP THE MAYORS
CHAIRPERSONS OF BOARDS**

Attention: All Accounting Officers

**SUBJECT: DIRECTIVE TO ALL PUBLIC ENTITIES WITH REGARD TO PUBLIC
PROCUREMENT IN LIGHT OF THE STATE OF EMERGENCY
DECLARED DUE TO COVID-19**


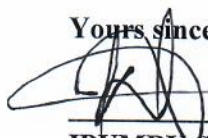
1. His Excellency, the President of the Republic of Namibia, in terms of Article 26(1) of the Namibian Constitution, declared a State of Emergency on 18 March 2020, and the Lockdown measure due to the COVID-19.
2. In light of the above, and in line with Section 73(1) of the Public Procurement Act, 15 of 2015 (the Act), the Minister of Finance hereby gives the following directive effective from 27 March 2020 until such time the Lockdown period is lifted
3. All procurement of goods, works and services are hereby put on hold except for the procurement of essential goods, works or services that are aimed at curbing the COVID-19 pandemic.
4. A bid that has been advertised for bidding before the date of commencement of this Directive, whether the bid advert has been closed or not, the completion of this bidding process is suspended until the Lockdown period has been lifted in line with the State of Emergency.

5. Furthermore, all applications currently brought before the Review Panel are hereby put on hold and are to resume once the Lockdown period has been lifted in line with the State of Emergency.

6. The rationale hereof is to adhere to the measures set in place to minimize the spread of COVID-19.

Please accept the assurance of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,



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MINISTER OF FINANCE