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14 April 2026

To: **The Executive Director
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Re: **ENVIRONMENTAL SCOPING ASSESSMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN
FOR FUEL BUNKERING SERVICES WITHIN THE PORT OF WALVIS BAY, ERONGO REGION**

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Interested and affected parties or neighbours are invited to register with the environmental consultant to receive further documentation and communication regarding the project. Please register at:

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