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CABINET DECISIONS ISSUED AT THE 15th (2024) DECISION MAKING MEETING

Attached hereto, kindly find the Cabinet Decisions of the 15th (2024) Decision-Making meeting, held on 03 September 2024.

Yours Sincerely,

EMMA THEOFELUS, MP MINISTER





- 1. ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA AND BELIZE, THE KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN, REPUBLIC OF TAJIKISTAN, REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO, THE PRINCIPALITY OF ANDORRA, THE FEDERAL DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF ST. KITTS AND NEVIS, AND THE FEDERAL DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF NEPAL (Submitted by the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation)
- 1.1 Cabinet approved the establishment of diplomatic relations between the Republic of Namibia and the above-mentioned countries, in accordance with the principles of the Charter of the United Nations, and the provisions of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations; and
- 1.2 Cabinet directed the Ministry of International Relations and Cooperation to develop friendly relations and promote economic and political cooperation between the Republic of Namibia and Belize, the Kingdom of Bahrain, Republic of Tajikistan, Republic of San Marino, the Principality of Andorra, the Federal Democratic Republic of St. Kitts and Nevis, and the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal.
- 2. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) ON COOPERATION ON RENEWABLE ENERGY AND CLEAN HYDROGEN BETWEEN NAMIBIA AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (USA) (Submitted by the Minister of Mines and Energy)

Cabinet approved the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Cooperation on Renewable Energy and Clean Hydrogen between Namibia and the United States of America (USA) and authorized the Minister of Mines and Energy to sign the MoU.

3. NAMIBIA LIVELIHOOD VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT AND ANALYSIS (VAA) REPORT (Submitted by the Prime Minister)

Cabinet endorsed the outcome of the Vulnerability Assessment and Analysis Integrated Food Security Phase Classification acute food insecurity communication report for 2024/25 with some of the findings summarised below:

- a) Status of Food Security: The crop prospects, food security and drought situation assessment report of 2024 shows that the aggregate cereal production statistics for the 2023/2024 recorded 64,600 metric tonnes compared to 153,00 metric tonnes harvested in the 2022/2023 cropping season. This represents a significant decline of 58%;
- b) Livestock body condition: The livestock body condition ranges between good to poor in most parts of the country and it is anticipated to deteriorate further by October 2024; and
- c) Water availability: The country's dam level stood at 53.5% as at 8 July 2024, compared to 66.2% during the same period last year.



4. UPDATE ON NAMIBIA'S PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE TO THE MULTICOUNTRY OUTBREAK OF MPOX (Submitted by the Minister of Health and Social Services)

- 4.1 Cabinet took note of the multi-country outbreak of Mpox and its potential risk of transmission in Namibia through cross-border interactions;
- 4.2 Cabinet took note of Namibia's ongoing health sector preparedness and responsive activities concerning the multi-country outbreak of Mpox.

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