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COUNTRYWIDE LOCKDOWN MEASURES

On Tuesday, 14 April 2020, His Excellency the President of the Republic of Namibia, Dr Hage G. Geingob announced the extension of the lockdown measures to all 14 regions of the country, beginning at midnight on Friday, 17 April up to midnight on Monday, 04 May 2020.

In view of the above, the Security Cluster has put in place a Deployment Plan of law enforcement agencies for the countrywide lockdown to enforce the regulations relating to the State of Emergency. The country's 14 regions are clustered into ten (10) zones, comprising 69 checkpoints, which will enable the law enforcement agencies to effectively control the movement of people and goods within their localities during the lockdown period.

The ten (10) zones are as follows:

Zone 1: Zambezi Region Checkpoints

- Omega 1
- Ngoma Border Post
- Katima Mulilo Border Post (Wenela)
- Singalamwe Border Post (Kamenga)
- Luhonono Border Post
- Impalila Border Post

Zone 2: Kavango West and East Regions Checkpoints

- Omega 1
- Muhembo Border Post
- Sarusungu Border Post
- Evero Crossing point
- Mushangara Crossing point
- Oshuudia Control Point
- Mururani Gate
- Katwitwi Border Post
- Nkurenkuru Border Post

Zone 3: Ohangwena Region Checkpoints

- Oshikango Border Post
- Alfandeka Crossing Point
- Epinga Crossing Point
- Okanyandi Crossing Point
- Omhalapapa Crossing Point
- Olupale Crossing Point

Oshikoto Region Checkpoints

- Oshivelo Gate
- Elavi Checkpoint
- King Nehale Gate
- Tsumeb-Otavi-Grootfontein 4-Way Junction

Oshana Region Checkpoints

- Endola – Ongenga- Onhuno Y-Junction
- Oshikuku-Onampira– Oshakati Road

Zone 4: Omusati Region Checkpoints

- Ruacana Border Post
- Omahenene Border Post
- Okapalelona Crossing Point
- Omuvelo-waKasamane Border Post
- Oikokola Crossing Point
- Okahao-Onaanda-Oshakati T-junction
- Onandjaba-Omungwelume-Omafo T-Junction

Zone 5: Otjozondjupa Region Checkpoints

- Okahandja-Otjiwarongo Road
- Okahandja- Karibib Road
- Dobe Border Post

Omaheke Region Checkpoint

- Trans-Kalahari Border Post

Zone 6: Khomas Region Checkpoint

- WHK-Seeis-Gobabis Checkpoint

Zone 7: Erongo Region Checkpoints

- Karibib-Okahandja Road
- W/Bay-Naukluft checkpoint
- Omaruru-Kalkveld-Otjiwarongo Road
- Uis- Khorixas Road (Kunene Region)

Zone 8: //Karas Region Checkpoints

- Noordoewer Border Post
- Ariamsvlei Border Post
- Mata-Mata Border Post
- Klein Mannasse Border Post

- Velloorsdrift Border Post
 - Tses-Asab B1 Road
 - Bethanie-Helmeringhausen
 - Koës-Twee Rivier
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- Luderitz-Aus-Rosh Pinah T-Junction
 - Rosh Pinah-Noordoewer D-13 Road
 - Sendelingsdrift Border Post

Zone 9: Hardap Region Checkpoints

- Awasab (Kalkrand-Rehoboth Road)
- Aranos-Aminuis Road
- Stampriet-Leonardville Road
- Maltahöhe-Solitaire Road
- Derm–Dordabis Road

Zone 10: Kunene Region Checkpoints

- Werda Gate
- Otjimuhaka Crossing Point
- Onungurura Crossing Point
- Otjinungwa Crossing Point
- Otjipahuriro-Ruacana Road
- Omakange-Iitananga-Ruacana Road

The existing permanent checkpoints remain operational and law enforcement agencies deployed at such checkpoints will continue to discharge their duties as usual, augmenting the State of Emergency Regulations. The zoning of the regions into clusters has taken into account the availability of essential services in each of the zones.

Besides the established checkpoints, where members of law enforcement agencies will be deployed, patrols will still

continue within the zones and at the borders to enforce adherence to the regulations.

The experience of the lockdown of Khomas and Erongo Regions has demonstrated that not everyone adhered to the regulations for the lockdown as well as for the State of Emergency. Although the threat of COVID-19 is real, many people have tried to go about their lives as usual, particularly with regard to unnecessary movements, social gatherings, sale and consumption of alcohol and transportation of passengers. This state of affairs hinders the effective enforcement of the security measures aimed at curbing the spread of the pandemic. In some instances, this has led to the confrontation between members of the law enforcement agencies and the public.

Therefore, the public is hereby urged to strictly adhere to the State of Emergency Regulations and reminded to stay at home, maintain social distancing, regularly wash their hands, avoid the sale of alcohol and any social gatherings; and should only leave their homes strictly for essential services.

It is important for all us to pull together, to fight the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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