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OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE PARLIAMENT, 2014

THEME: ""Promoting Oversight Effectiveness Towards Ensuring Transparent National Budget Administration"

The Speaker of the National Assembly, Hon Dr Theo-Ben Gurirab herewith announces the Official Opening of the Ninth Session of the Fifth Parliament under the theme: **"Promoting Oversight effectiveness towards ensuring Transparent National Budget Administration**". This important annual event in the calendar of the Parliament of Namibia will take place at the Parliament Building on **Tuesday**, **11 February 2014**, **at 14h30**.

In keeping with the provisions of Rule 15 of the Standing Rules and Orders and Constitutional responsibilities, His Excellency Hifikepunye Pohamba, President of the Republic of Namibia, will officially open the Parliament.

Media practitioners are kindly invited to attend and cover this event.

The following are some of the Bills that <u>may be tabled</u> during the 9th Session:

| 1. Appropriation Bill | 2. Access and Benefits Sharing Bill |
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| 3. Audit Bill | 4. Child Care and Protection Bill |
| 5. Civil Aviation Bill | 6. Electronic Transactions Bill |
| 7. Financial Institutions and Markets Bill | 8. Gaming and Entertainment Control Bill |
| 9. High Education Amendment Bill | 10. Immigration Control Amendment Bill |
| 11. Marriage Bill | 12. Namibia Financial Institutions Supervisory Authority Bill |
| 13. Namibia Students Financial Assistance Amendment Bill | 14. National Construction Industry Council Bill |
| 15. National Security Council Bill | 16. Plant Breeders' and Farmers' Rights Bill |
| 17. Seed and Seed Varieties Bill | 18. Urban and Regional Planning Bill |

The NBC TV and Radio Services will do a live broadcast of this special event. Invited guests are expected to be seated by 14h15.

Please take note that Robert Mugabe Avenue and Love Street (around the Parliament Gardens) might be closed-off to public traffic between 13h30 and 17h00.

The public is hereby informed about this special event.

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