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Att: News Editors/parliamentary correspondents

**RE: STANDING COMMITTEE VISIT TO ZAMBEZI, KAVANGO EAST AND
KAVANGO WEST REGIONS**

The National Assembly Parliamentary Committee on Natural Resources will undertake an investigative visit to the Zambezi; Kavango East and West Regions. The visit will take place **from 25 April to 01 May 2016.**

Media Practitioners are herewith invited to attend and cover this visit.

The purpose of this regional visit is for the Committee to conduct public hearings and consultations with the affected communities, government officials and interested members of the public on matters pertaining to human wildlife conflict. Specifically, the with the view of finding a lasting solution to the problem of human–wildlife conflict.

Background

On October 21, 2015 Hon Hamunyera Hambyuka (SWAPO) tabled motion in the National Assembly titled *“Motion on very disturbing incidents, on effect of elephants and other dangerous animals on the communities of Kavango East and West regions.”* The motion was subsequently referred to the Parliamentary Committee on Natural Resources for further scrutiny and consultations.

Although the motion was initially focused on Kavango East and West, the Committee resolved to include the Zambezi and Kunene Regions where the conflict between humans and wildlife is also prevalent.

Your continued coverage and reporting on parliamentary events and activities is highly appreciated.

Kindly, see the attached programme for dates, time and places for visit.

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