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**BUDGET MOTIVATION: MINISTRY OF SAFETY AND SECURITY:**

**VOTE 06**

**FOR THE 2016/2017 FINANCIAL YEAR**

**PRESENTED BY**

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**MINISTER**

**Honourable Chairperson of the Whole House Committee,  
Honourable Members**

Allow me to congratulate the Honourable Minister Calle Schlettwein for his well-presented budget after just a year of taking office. Considering the current economic environment, it was not an easy task to divide the national cake “so that no one is left out” and enable each of us to survive on what we get, but he did a sterling job. We wish him and his dedicated team all the best in their endeavours to steer our economy to greater heights for the prosperity of our nation.

I would now like to take this opportunity to introduce Vote 06 of the Ministry of Safety and Security for your consideration. This ministry consists of two very important components in the criminal justice system, i.e. the Namibian Police Force which is the first leg, and the Namibian Correctional Service, which is the depository of offenders, after the prosecution has taken its course.

In order for the Ministry of Safety and Security to effectively execute its mandate as enshrined in Articles 118 and 121 of the Namibian Constitution, the Ministry has identified eight (8) budget programmes according to which it plans to attain its objectives. These programmes have been developed along the country’s long and medium term development goals; namely Vision 2030 and NDP4, with a view to ensuring an environment conducive for economic development, internal security and peace. The programmes are as follows:

## **1. Combating of crime**

The main purpose of this program is to prevent and fight crime in the country in order to provide for a safe and conducive environment for economic development and to attract investors. Furthermore, under this programme, the Ministry will be able to engage a number of other stakeholders in the fight against crime.

On the same score, the programme will facilitate the participation and cooperation on international, regional and bilateral level as entered into by the Ministry with International Police Organisation (INTERPOL) and Southern African Regional Police Chiefs Cooperation Organisation (SARPCCO), African Correctional Services Association (ACSA), International Corrections and Prisons Association, to name a few.

It is under this program that intelligence on criminal activities are collected, detected and investigations of crime are carried out and at the same time ensuring that accused persons and witnesses are brought to courts. In a nutshell, Combating of Crime Program forms the core function of the Department of Police. **An amount of three billion four hundred and seventy one million, three hundred and twenty thousand Namibian Dollars (N\$ 3 471 320 000) is required for this programme.**

## **2. VIPs Protection**

The central purpose of this program is to render protection to national and visiting foreign Very Important Persons (VIPs) and at the same time provide security at their residences and offices. The programme will also cater for foreign mission and national visits by our national leaders in the country and abroad. **An amount of four hundred and thirty two million, one hundred and six thousand Namibian Dollars is (N\$ 432 106 000) required for this programme.**

## **3. Training and Development**

This program is aimed at improving service delivery by providing quality professional training and career development through basic training, advanced, specialised training and staff development. It is incumbent upon any institution that has a desire to stay upfront in service delivery to engage continuously in the academic progression of its staff compliment.

Under this programme the Ministry intends to re-train detectives, investigators and other staff in both basic and advanced courses. **An amount one hundred and nine million, four hundred and sixty five thousand Namibian Dollars (N\$ 109 465 000) is required to achieve the objectives of the programme.**

#### **4. Forensic Services**

This program centres on providing forensic services to multi-disciplinary scientific entities that may require scientific solutions to crime related problems at hand. It covers a range of genetics complex, documents examination, analytical chemistry, explosives analysis and blood analysis. The Forensic Science Services is the custodian of these activities and its service is essential in crime analyses, hence it needs adequate resources in order to provide answers to complex cases such as murder and rape cases. **An amount of thirty four million, two hundred and forty four thousand Namibian Dollars (NS 34 244 000) has been allocated to this programme during this financial year.**

#### **5. Coordination and Support Services**

It is under this program where the social factors that contribute to members' condition of service, social welfare, public relations, policy formulation, financial obligations, logistical and infrastructural management are catered for. **An amount of three hundred and twenty nine million, nine hundred and fifty four thousand Namibian Dollars (N\$ 329 954 000) is required to meet the set objectives of this programme.**

## **6. Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Management.**

This programme gears at providing efficient means of information and communication technology services to the force. Under this project such as E-policing, Nampol Automated Biometric Identification System (N-ABIS) and Offender Risk Management are been funded. **An amount one hundred and six million and sixty four thousand Namibian Dollars (N\$ 106 064 000) is required to achieve the objectives of this programme.**

## **7. Safe Custody and Rehabilitation**

This programme contributes to the protection of society by providing reasonable, safe, secure and humane custody of offenders in accordance with universally acceptable standards. It also assists inmates in the reformation of criminal behaviour through the offender risk management correctional strategy, which includes, among others, risk and needs assessment, delivery of rehabilitative programmes and services to reduce reoffending.

**An amount of six hundred and forty million, one hundred and twenty-three thousand Namibian dollars (N\$640 123 000) is allocated to Safe Custody and Rehabilitation.**

## **8. Reintegration**

This programme will assist the offenders to successfully return into society as law-abiding citizens through controlled and

gradual release supported by community corrections with proper supervision and support.

**Eleven million two hundred and ninety-two thousand Namibia dollars (N\$11,292,000) are allocated to Reintegration.**

**Honourable Chairperson of the Whole House Committee,  
Honourable Members**

Allow me now to give a brief account of crime prevalence in the country. Though we have been privileged to enjoy peace and stability and rule of law, there are crime of concern that pose a challenge to the Police operations, such as, murder, theft, robbery, domestic violence, drug trafficking, rape, fraud, cyber-crime, just to mention a few. Such crimes do not only create fear amidst our law abiding citizens but also uncertainty for investors who may perceive our environment not to be conducive to invest their money.

My concern is mainly on Gender Based Violence, more particularly passion killing which is carried out in our society. My humble appeal further goes to church leaders, traditional authorities, school principals as well as to you, Honourable Members of this August House, to assist law enforcers in curbing the occurrence and commissioning of crimes in our society, especially GBV. I also call upon all men in our society to humbly change our mind-set on the fight against GBV.

The onus is upon all of us to bring to an end the scourge of senseless killings of mothers, daughters, children and sisters

by some men who turned themselves into the killing machines of innocent and vulnerable part of our population.

**Honourable Chairperson of the Whole House Committee,  
Honourable Members**

Namibia continues to maintain excellent cooperation with all its neighbouring countries. It goes without saying that without the ongoing mutual assistance, understanding and cooperation, it would be very difficult if not impossible to fight crime, especially cross border and transnational organized crime. The country maintains Joint Permanent Commissions on Defence and Security with Angola, Botswana, South-Africa and Zambia. All security related matters are openly discussed at those platforms and joint programmes of actions are designed during those meetings at Ministerial level.

This cooperation with the neighbouring states is further consolidated through Southern African Development Community (SADC) Organs on Security and Defence; hence, Namibia remains a member of SADC Standby Force Brigade.

In support of the International Community's efforts in maintaining peace, stability, and economic development around the globe, Namibia as a signatory to the United Nations Charter has participated in a number of Peace/Keeping Support Operations, under the auspices of the United Nations and/or African Union, by sending individual Police officers for deployments. Furthermore, the Ministry of Safety and Security is the custodian of the Prevention and Combating of Terrorist



and Proliferation Activities Act, (PACOTPAA) which compels the country to gazette the names of parties and persons linked to the above activities and to freeze their assets, issue a travel ban and prevent any form of weapon and arms deals.

**Honourable Chairperson of the Whole House Committee,  
Honourable Members**

The Ministry of Safety and Security has succeeded to carry its mandate diligently, but it did so with inadequate resources allocated to it through the national budget.

If one looks at the accommodation of most of the Ministry's staff, especially Police officers country-wide; it is deplorable, to say the least. However with the allocation availed the Ministry, it will continue to improve some of its facilities, inclusive of correctional facilities that are dilapidated and overcrowded.

One big challenge in Namibia is food insecurity. This challenge tends to reflect the historical spatial development patterns and racial dimensions. Hence, the overwhelming majority of those incarcerated in Namibian correctional facilities, belong to the lower rungs of the socio-economic make-up of our society. The Ministry, however, is making good progress towards food self-sufficiency, and with good support, these facilities may constitute affluent food baskets to the surrounding communities and beyond. Currently, the Ministry's food production initiative is undertaken at four correctional facilities and was able to contribute towards the National Food Security Project through His Excellency the President by donating food to the Emergency Management Unit in aid of drought relief.

The allocation of sufficient financial and human resources to the Ministry will therefore, contribute to the sustainability of the pillars of our cherished democracy that we are all obliged to jealously guard, defend and protect. On the other hand, it will enhance the competitiveness of our country in areas of economic development within the context of SADC, African Continent and Globally.

**Honourable Chairperson of the Whole House Committee,  
Honourable Members**

One aspect of this budget that I am introducing today that you should take note of, is that it is the budget of the Ministry of Safety and Security, and not the budget of Vote 06 or Vote 21, as was the case since 2005 when the Ministry was created. The two votes have been consolidated and the Ministry now has one vote called 06.

**Therefore, in conclusion, I now have the pleasure of requesting this esteemed August House to approve the sum of five billion, one hundred and thirty four million, five hundred and sixty eight thousand Namibia Dollars (N\$ 5 134 568 000).**

## SUMMARY

	<b>Programmes for Vote 06</b>	<b>Amount per Programme</b>
1	Combating of Crime	3 471 320 000
2	VIP's Protection	432 106 000
3	Training and Development	109 465 000
4	Forensic Science Services	34 244 000
5	Coordination and Support Services	329 954 000
6	Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Management	106 064 000
7	Safe Custody and Rehabilitation	640 123 000
8	Re-integration	1 1292 000
	<b>Total:</b>	<b>5 134 568 000</b>