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OFFICE OF THE JUDICIARY

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APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PROSECUTOR-GENERAL

Windhoek - The Judicial Service Commission announces that Her Excellency, the President of the Republic of Namibia, upon recommendation of the Judicial Service Commission (the Commission), has appointed Mrs. Olyvia Imalwa to serve as Acting Prosecutor-General for a period of one year, from 1 January to 31 December 2026.

Mrs. Imalwa, the incumbent Prosecutor-General, concludes her substantive term on 31 December 2025. The Commission has commenced the recruitment process for the next Prosecutor-General by inviting suitably qualified candidates to apply. Shortlisted candidates will undergo a comprehensive assessment aimed at identifying the most suitable person for recommendation to the State President in accordance with the governing constitutional and statutory framework.

This interim appointment will safeguard stability and the uninterrupted functioning of the Office of the Prosecutor-General as the Commission finalises its recommendation for the substantive appointment.

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In line with Article 78 (5) of the Namibian Constitution, Namibia has made the monumental move to establish an independent body of the Judiciary that separates it from the Ministry of Justice, named the 'Office of the Judiciary', a juristic body by virtue of the Judiciary Act, 2015 (Act No. 11 of 2015) which is administratively and financially independent. The Office of the Judiciary is the administrative arm for the Judiciary, which includes the Supreme Court, High Court and Lower Courts (Regional and District) within Namibia.

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