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INVITATION FOR APPLICATIONS TO FILL CASUAL VACANCY: ELECTORAL ACT, 1992

The Director of Elections, in terms of section 5 read with section 8 of the Electoral Act, 1992 (Act No. 24 of 1992), invites interested persons to apply, in writing, for appointment as a member of the Electoral Commission for the remainder of the unexpired portion of the period of the vacated office, ending 17 August 2009.

Applications must be submitted in writing and accompanied by a comprehensive Curriculum Vitae, certified copy of the applicant's identity document, relevant academic qualifications, if any, and any other relevant documentation.

The Selection Committee established in terms of section 5(12) of the Electoral Act, 1992 (Act No. 24 of 1992) shall short-list and interview the applicants. Interviews held with the short-listed applicants shall be open to the public and that Committee shall in writing recommend to the President not less than eight suitable applicants to be considered for appointment to fill the vacancy.

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The successful applicant is, as member of the Electoral Commission, entitled to sitting and honorarium allowances, subject to certain conditions of service.

Applicants -

- (a) must have a thorough knowledge and understanding of Namibian politics, history, culture, issues and trends relating to democracy and elections in Namibia and generally in the SADC region and in other parts of the world;
- (b) must have a sense of integrity, independence of mind and original and critical thinking skills in the execution of their electoral duties;
- (c) must have a firm commitment to the principles of fairness, political neutrality and equality;
- (d) must have an irreproachable professional standing;
- (e) must have extensive experience and outstanding acumen in conflict resolution, negotiation and mediation;
- (f) will, if appointed as a member of the Electoral Commission, be collectively responsible for directing, supervising and controlling, in a fair, impartial, transparent and professional manner the electoral processes in Namibia;
- (g) must, if appointed as a member of the Electoral Commission, attend monthly Electoral Commission meetings during the electoral off-season and more frequently during the election periods; and
- (h) must, if appointed as a member of the Electoral Commission, undertake, when required by the Electoral Commission, to travel within Namibia as well as outside of Namibia.

Inquiries may be directed towards and applications forwarded to:

The Director of Elections: Election House Daniel Munamava Street Private Bag 13352 WINDHOEK Telephone: (061) 376200; Fax (061) 237618

The closing date for the submission of applications shall be 29 September 2006.

P.H. KANIME DIRECTOR OF ELECTIONS