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AIR NAMIBIA RESTARTS JOHANNESBURG AND CAPE TOWN FLIGHTS

Air Namibia will launch weekly flights to Johannesburg and Cape Town from 28 October 2020. The Windhoek – Johannesburg direct route will be operated on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays, whereas two flights between Windhoek – Cape Town (direct & via Walvis Bay) will be operated on weekends, Fridays and Sundays. The times of operation from Windhoek, Namibia are as follows:

Windhoek – Johannesburg SW723	Depart: 09:30 – Arrive: 11:15
Windhoek – Cape Town SW703	Depart: 07:25 – Arrive: 09:25
Windhoek – Cape Town (via WVB) SW715	Depart: 13:55 – Arrive: 17:15

Air Namibia's Interim CEO, Mr Theo Mberirua said that the restart of the two routes is in line with the airline's restart plan, following the long layoff due to Covid-19. *"The decision to launch these routes are in line with Air Namibia's mandate and purpose for existence – creating air transport linkages to promote intra-Africa connectivity and regional integration,"* Mr Mberirua explained. He added; *"Although the airline normally operates an extensive schedule that requires multiple destinations in order to feed the entire network, the move by Air Namibia to breathe new life into these two routes will provide smooth and convenient connections inbound and outbound, connecting Namibia to the world, and the world to Namibia."*

With the high season for this market looming and holidaymakers planning to visit our neighbouring country and vice versa, Air Namibia's operation will meet the growing demand with the resumption of these routes.

We would like to extend our appreciation and thanks to all our corporate, leisure customers

Board of Directors: Mr. Escher Luanda (Chairperson), Ms. Heritha Muyoba, Mr. Willy Mertens, Capt. Alois Nyandoro

and passengers for their continued business support during this most challenging time. We also thank sincerely the travel agents and tour operators for their continuous support. We look forward to meet our new and old customers on board.

The mandate of Air Namibia remains to be a major contributor towards the attraction and promotion of tourism to Namibia by providing air transport between the Land of the Brave and rest of the world, as well as operating flights within the boundaries of Namibia.

Photo caption:

Ready for take off: FLTR – Ralph Naibab, First Officer; Moses Shihepo, AirNam Airport Manager; Hosea Kutako International Airport (HKIA); Theo Mberirua, AirNam Interim CEO; Leonard Shipuata, NAC Executive: Airport Operations; Bluemy Hamutenya, AirNam Acting Head: Commercial Services and Captain Dylan OMalley.

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