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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Environmental Clearance for the Environmental Assessment Report and Environmental Management Plan for the Proposed Tubas Mining Project, Erongo Region

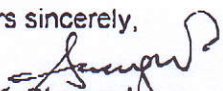
Thank you for your submission of the Environmental Assessment and Management Plan for the above-mentioned project. The Plan done is sufficient as it takes into account the key environmental issues concerning the proposed activities. It is recommended that once the project is implemented regular environmental monitoring and possible improvements should be conducted.

In view of the risks and environmental sensitivity of the area, the MET reserves the right to attach further regulatory conditions during the operational phase of the project. From this perspective, we issue the clearance with the following conditions: (a) all key stakeholders, including Regional and Local Authorities concerned, must be consulted and their consent obtained prior to any Mining activities; and (b) key biodiversity habitats must be protected.

On the basis of the above, this letter serves as an environmental clearance for the project to proceed. However, this clearance letter does not in any way hold the Ministry of Environment and Tourism accountable of any wrong or insufficient information, nor any adverse effects that may arise from this project's activities. Instead, full accountability rests with the developer and his/her consultants.

Thank you once again for your kind co-operation.

Yours sincerely,


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