

## NAMIBIAN PORTS AUTHORITY

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## EXTERNAL MEMORANDUM

**Date:** 26 March 2020

**To:** All Port Users

Dear Sir/Madam

SUBJECT: Additional Mitigation measures - Corona Virus (Covid-19) Pandemic

With regards to the memorandum we issued on 25 March 2020 with the abovementioned subject, we wish to supplement it as follows:

Restriction no. 1 on the said memorandum, read as follows:

1. Any foreign vessel intending to berth at our ports will be required to first self-quarantine at a suitable anchorage within port limits for at least 14 days, calculated as the duration from the last port of call or the last crew interaction with another vessel/rig at sea, to the date of arrival at our ports, whichever duration is the longest. Upon completion of this mandatory quarantine period, the vessel must then be medically screened (again) and cleared by all the relevant authorities including Namport, before a pilot will board.

We wish to add/clarify that Namport will indeed consider and grant exemptions to this restriction, should such exemptions be in the best interest of the Republic of Namibia and in the case of certain emergencies on board. Port users may write to the undersigned to motivate a request for exemption from this restriction on a case by case basis.

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We wish to emphasise that even in the case where an exemption is granted, we will not compromise on health screening and other mitigation measures and will conduct the necessary risk assessments and deploy additional measures where needed.

All Port Users are urged to brief their affected stakeholders on this memorandum.

Yours Sincerely,

Kavin Harry

**Acting Chief Executive Officer** 

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