



**REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA**  
**OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER**

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The office of the Prime Minister has noted with concern recent reports in the media and other public platforms suggesting that the Prime Minister has used her position to advance the private interests of individuals at the expense of the interests of the state and the public.

The Prime Minister strongly rejects these accusations as false and malicious. These accusations are baseless and aimed at tarnishing the name and track record of the Prime Minister.

The Prime Minister has always upheld the highest standards of ethics and integrity in all her dealings and has never compromised or failed to protect the state or public interests. At no point in executing her public functions did the Prime Minister acted in any manner that promoted the interests of her relatives or friends above those of the state and the larger Namibian public or to influence Government decisions in favour of anyone.

Besides that, as a policy maker, she has not been involved in decisions to allocate tenders as this function is administered by an autonomous body, the Tender Board of Namibia. Any individual who believes that he/she has evidence of interference by the Prime Minister in the allocations of state contracts in her current or previous public positions is challenged to bring such evidence out.

Further, any contract signed by her in whatever capacity she has represented the state were signed after thorough review and approval of Cabinet and after due advice and clearance by the state legal advisors.

It must be emphasized that any person with evidence to the contrary is advised to submit such evidence to the designated accountability institutions of the state for investigation.

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