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## General Notice

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### NAMIBIAN COMPETITION COMMISSION

No. 114

2011

#### NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION IN RESPECT OF PROFESSIONAL RULES

Competition Act, 2003 (Act No. 2 of 2003)  
(Section 31(3)), Rule 25(2))

Concerning:

LAW SOCIETY OF NAMIBIA, CASE NO. 2010DEC0054EXEMP

1. The Commission gives notice that it has on 15 December 2010 received an application from the above-named applicant association for exemption from the provisions of Part 1\* / Part 11\* of Chapter 3 of the Competition Act (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") in respect of professional rules.
2. The Law Society of Namibia is a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal established in terms of section 40 of the Legal Practitioners Act, 1995 (Act No. 15 of 1995), as amended whose members are persons enrolled as legal practitioners in terms of Act No. 15 of 1995, as amended.
3. The nature of the exemption sought by the applicant is that:

- 3.1 the Act does not apply to some provisions of the Rules of the Law Society by virtue of the provisions of section 3(3) of the Act;
  - 3.2 the Law Society seeks exemption for those Rules and also other Rules insofar as the Act applies to them;
  - 3.3 the application is based on the possibility that certain of the Law Society of Namibia's respective rules might potentially be considered to contain restrictions that has the effect of substantially preventing or lessening competition in the market, but that those rules are reasonably required to maintain professional standards or the ordinary function of the profession.
4. Interested persons are invited to submit to the Commission, within 30 days as from the date of this notice, any written representations that they may wish to make concerning the application.
  5. Such representations may be directed to the Assistant Secretary Restrictive Business Practices, P.O. Box 2104, Windhoek, Namibia, or by hand delivery at the Namibian Competition Commission, Office No. 14, BPI - House, Mezzanine floor, Independence Avenue, Windhoek or by facsimile to number 061 - 401901. (Case Number 2010DEC0054EXEMP).

**H.M. GAOMAB**  
**SECRETARY**  
**NAMIBIAN COMPETITION COMMISSION**

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11 April 2011