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PLEDGE NUMBER 1: Namibia, like many developing countries, remains vulnerable to the asymmetrical impacts of climate change and fully appreciates the impact of climate change and global warming on the enjoyment of all human rights. Namibia therefore commits to addressing the triple planetary crises of climate change, biodiversity loss, and pollution through investment in resilience including by removing barriers to accessing climate financing and advocating for the realisation of the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities, and enhancing international cooperation in respect of climate change and the environment including investment in early warning systems for the benefit of developing countries which are disproportionately affected by climate change.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: Dec 30, 2031

PLEDGE NUMBER 2: Namibia is ranked second in the world on the Inequality Index due to stark economic inequalities, unemployment and poverty. Namibia commits to achieving an inclusive, sustainable and equitable economic growth to end poverty in all its forms through strengthening existing social protection programmes to achieve the aspirations of the sustainable development goals in particular Goal 1 by 2030. Namibia further commits to develop frameworks, infrastructure and economic partnerships, aimed at reducing poverty and stimulating economic development.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: Dec 30, 2031

PLEDGE NUMBER 3: In advancing a human rights approach to the conduct of business activities, Namibia commits to developing and operationalizing a National Action Plan on business and human rights by 2026, in line with regional and international frameworks and developments.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: Dec 31, 2026

PLEDGE NUMBER 4: Namibia firmly believes that education is essential for the realization of all Sustainable Development Goals. As a strong proponent of the right to education, Namibia has implemented free primary and secondary education in all State/public schools. Namibia commits to ensuring that all learners have access to equitable inclusive quality education that qualifies them to pursue higher education through the enhancement of education infrastructure and robust implementation of frameworks to advance core skills of literacy and numeracy. Namibia will also continue to support international efforts aimed at ensuring

equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all in accordance with Sustainable Development Goal 4 of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: Dec 31, 2030