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## **Message by His Excellency Dr. Nangolo Mbumba, President of the Republic of Namibia, on Christmas Day, 24 December 2024**

Fellow Namibians,

On this joyous occasion, I extend my heartfelt Christmas greetings to all of you. Many of you are gathered with your families and loved ones to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, a time of deep significance, marked by the sharing of love and the renewal of our hope for the future. For Christians, it is a time of spiritual reflection, fellowship, and thanksgiving, as we contemplate the blessings of heaven and the enduring grace of our creator.

This is a time to reconnect with loved ones through charity, family unions, gift-giving, and the sharing of cherished moments. Christmas does not only represent a celebration of family as the cornerstone of our society, but also an affirmation that love, hope, and harmony are the true essence of unity.

As we celebrate this season of love and peace, let us also remember the less fortunate among us. I therefore urge all Namibians to share and care under the banner of One Namibia, One Nation. Let us especially remember children, the elderly, and the vulnerable. Let us view Christmas not only as a time to receive, but as an opportunity to give to those in need, spreading love and generosity through acts of kindness and charitable initiatives.

While many of us enjoy a well-deserved break, let us not forget those who continue to work tirelessly to keep our nation safe and functioning—our essential workers across various sectors and the brave men and women in uniform who protect our peace day and night. To them, I extend my deepest gratitude for their unwavering dedication and selflessness.

I urge all Namibians who are travelling during this festive period to exercise caution on our roads. Please avoid drinking and driving in order to prevent accidents. Always respect traffic rules and regulations, as your safety and the safety of others depends on it. Let us learn to celebrate responsibly and safely.

Merry Christmas Namibia! May this season be filled with love, laughter, peace, and hope for brighter days ahead. May this season bring you closer to your loved ones and inspire acts of kindness toward those in need. May this season rejuvenate the nation and inspire us to ascend towards higher heights in the year ahead.

God bless you all! God bless Namibia!

**ISSUED BY THE PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA**

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