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REPORT ON THE 14/05/2022 EARTHQUAKE RECORDED IN NAMIBIA

The Ministry of Mines and Energy confirms that two earthquakes were recorded approximately 43 kilometres south of Sossusvlei on the early hours of Saturday, 14 May 2022 at 05:59 AM and at 06:56 AM local time, respectively. The events were recorded by all ten local seismic stations of the Namibian Seismology Network, namely Windhoek, Kamanjab Opuwo, Karibib, Aus, Katima, Rundu, Ariamsvlei, Tsumeb and Gobabis and the regional seismic stations from the South Africa Seismic Network. The earthquakes registered local magnitudes (*ML*) of 4.3 at latitude (Y): -25.069° South, longitude (X): 15.244° East and 3.8 at latitude (Y): -25.035° South, longitude (X): 15.395° East respectively. The earthquakes recorded were shallow at a depth of less than 15 km.

Precautionary measures in case you feel an earthquake:

- If you find yourself indoors, try going outside safely, when possible, otherwise find refuge under the table.
- If you are outdoors, find a clear spot well clear of buildings, trees, and power lines.
- Stay and face away from windows.
- Watch out for falling objects.

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