

## PRESS RELEASE



### **Press release by Menzies (Namibia) (Pty) Ltd “Menzies”**

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Since 19 August 2023, the NAC, Paragon and others dispossessed Menzies of portions of the Hosea Kutako International Airport.

Menzies was never evicted from the airport as is so falsely claimed by Paragon and the NAC.

Rather, Menzies was stopped at the gate and was prohibited to enter the Airport, while NAC and Paragon used the Deputy Sherriff and the Namibian Police to prevent Menzies' entrance to the Airport by force.

If Menzies was indeed evicted, as so falsely claimed by Paragon and the NAC - it would have been possible for Menzies to take all its belongings from the airport, and it would also have been permissible for Menzies to hand over all cargo to the lawful consignees.

Paragon and the NAC therefore did not execute any court order to evict Menzies. Rather they prevented the court order – which they claim they rely on – from being executed. In fact, truth is that they acted in contempt of the very order they seek to rely on.

This conduct of Paragon and NAC has caused untold damages to the Namibia nation.

Menzies is pleased, however, to announce that, during a court mediation process held this afternoon, Paragon and the NAC saw the error of their ways, and Menzies will at

last now be permitted to hand over to NamBTS (the Blood Transfusion Service of Namibia) critical life saving equipment.

Regrettably NAC and Paragon refused to see the error of their ways in respect of the other cargo, and it appears that all other consignees will have to wait until the matter is finalised before Justice Uitele.

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