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**SOUTH AFRICAN RESERVE BANK INTRODUCED A NEW SECURITY FEATURE
ON MANDELA BANKNOTE SERIES**

The Bank of Namibia is pleased to inform the nation that the South African Reserve Bank (SARB) launched a refresher campaign to mark 12 months since the introduction of the new series of Mandela Banknotes on 6 November 2012.

To coincide with this anniversary, SARB has introduced a new security feature in the form of little dots that will now appear on the front and back of all Mandela banknotes.

“Enhancing features on banknotes is an on-going process to maintain the highest level of quality and security. This is in line with international best practice,” explained SARB Governor Gill Marcus. Banknotes with this new security feature will be gradually introduced from 6 November 2013. All current Mandela banknotes and the “Big 5” banknotes remain legal tender in South Africa as they are in Namibia and will continue to co-circulate.

Members of the public are encouraged to continue to LOOK, FEEL and TILT the banknotes to check for a combination of security features.

For more information and to see visually how the new security feature look, visit the South African Reserve Bank website at: www.resbank.co.za

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