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BANK OF NAMIBIA 2012 NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL COMPETITION

The Bank of Namibia is proud to announce the official commencement of the annual National High School Competition at the regional level. The National High School Competition is one of the key projects of the Bank that was initiated in 2006 with the endorsement of the Ministry of Education. The competition aims to improve and enhance the level of understanding of high school learners about the role of the central bank and economics in general. The theme this year is the role of central banking in the economy.

Last year, 197 schools participated, representing all 13 regions of our country. This year's competition will start on 6 - 10 September 2012. Unlike previous regional competitions, this year will entail thirteen regional winners and runner-ups who will win some token prizes at the regional level. Schools that will emerge as regional winners will then compete against each other in a semi-final competition scheduled to take place on Thursday, 13 September 2012 in Windhoek. The final competition will be hosted on Friday, 14 September 2012 in front of a live audience during a gala dinner at Safari Hotel in Windhoek. The overall winning school will receive a cash prize of N\$50 000.00 while schools in the second, third and fourth places will walk away with various prizes.

More details on the competition concept, rules and prizes are provided on the attached brochure, while information on previous participating schools and winners of competitions can be viewed on the Bank's website at www.bon.com.na. Information on the dates and venues on where the competition will take place in various regions are attached.

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REGION	DATE & TIME	VENUE
KHOMAS	6 Sept 2012 10H00	BoN
KARAS	6 Sept 2012 10H00	Keetmanshoop TRC
ERONGO	7 Sept 2012 10H00	Swakopmund Senior Secondary School
HARDAP	7 Sept 2012 10H00	Ministry of Education Boardroom (Regional Education Offices)
CAPRIVI	6 Sept 2012 10H00	Katima Mulilo TRC
KAVANGO	7 Sept 2012 10H00	Rundu TRC
KUNENE	7 Sept 2012 10H00	Putuavanga Secondary School
OMAHEKE	10 Sept 2012 10H00	TRC
OHANGWENA	6 Sept 2012 14H00	Haimbili Haufiku SS Eenhana
OTJOZONDJUPA	6 Sept 2012 10H00	Otjiwarongo, TRC
OSHIKOTO	6 Sept 2012 10H00	Oshikoto/Ohangwena Conference Hall
OMUSATI	7 Sept 2012 10H00	Outapi Special School
OSHANA	7 Sept 2012 10H00	TRC, Ongwediva