NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

02/03/2021

NOTICE OF QUESTION

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Hon. Nico Smit

(Signature:

I give notice that on 11th March 2021, I shall ask the **Minister of Transport**, Hon.

John Mutorwa, the following:

On the 5th November 2020, Eagle FM asked Mr. Uirab, the CEO of the Namibia Airports Company whether he had investigated an order for 1035 hand sanitisers obtained from a local business named Crewfield Investments CC on 16th March 2020 (payment was made on 1 April 2020). The cost of the hand sanitisers was N\$388,332.00, at a unit cost of N\$375.20.

Apparently Mr. Uirab declined to answer the question on the basis that it was an internal matter.

I now ask:

- Considering the poor accounting control in the NAC as evidenced by the N\$700 million owed to it by Air Namibia and not collected, will the Hon Minister agree that the question of buying N\$388,223.00 worth of hand sanitisers from a non-pharmaceutical business at grossly inflated prices could be regarded as possibly corrupt?
- 2. Will the Hon Minister instruct Mr Uirab to investigate the transaction and to inform this August House whether it had his blessing?
- 3. If it did, did Mr Uirab not regard the unit price as too high?
- 4. Who are the members of Crewfield Investments CC?
- 5. Are the members Namibian citizens?
- 6. Were tenders called for the supply of the hand sanitisers?
- 7. If tenders were called for, was Crewfields' the lowest or best?

I so submit