



## **STATEMENT**

**By**

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***Chairperson of the Electoral Commission of Namibia***

***AT THE OCCASION OF THE DECLARATION OF THE RESULTS FOR THE 2024  
PRESIDENTIAL AND NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS***

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***ECN HEAD OFFICE, WINDHOEK – NAMIBIA***

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Director of the Programme, Commissioner Ikwambi  
Your Excellency, Dr Nangolo Mbumba, President of the Republic of Namibia  
Distinguished Presidential Candidates and Leaders of Political Parties  
Please allow me to stand on the protocol as established by the Director of the programme

**Good evening,**

It is an extraordinary privilege and honour to stand before you to deliver this momentous announcement—the declaration of the official results of the November 2024 Presidential and National Assembly Elections.

This occasion marks the culmination of a journey that has tested our resilience as a nation, re-affirmed the strength of our democracy, and reinforced the enduring spirit of the Namibian people.

Fellow Namibians,

As Chairperson of the Electoral Commission of Namibia, I stand before you filled with humility, deeply aware of the significance of this event and its place in our nation's history. You will, no doubt, appreciate that conducting elections on a national scale is not only a complex process but it is also a huge responsibility. An assignment of this nature and magnitude comes with its own challenges: in the main administrative and logistical

challenges. We have had those challenges in this year's elections, too. But when such challenges occur, the right course of action is to always address them promptly and in the best interest of voters, democracy and the Namibian nation at large. In all our endeavours, the Commission has at all times sought to respond to all emerging challenges in this spirit. As we journeyed through the election process, we received feedback from our various electoral stakeholders. We took all feedback as positive, in that it not only gave us an opportunity to address matters immediately but such feedback also serves as input for future enhancement of the electoral processes. At this juncture, I take this opportunity to sincerely thank all Namibians and all our electoral stakeholders for your feedback, support, patience and resilience. The important thing is that Namibians have voted and, through their vote, have expressed their choice of leaders for the next five (5) years. We have been announcing the election results as they got finalised over the past few days; and will this evening announce the final outcomes. For all this we give the Honour and Glory to the Lord for His Grace, thank you Jesus.

### **Announcement of results**

Fellow Namibians,

The turnout has been impressive.

The Electoral Commission of Namibia (ECN) monitored the voting that took place in the country and we are satisfied that such voting was conducted in an environment where the voters were free to elect candidates and political parties of their choice without fear, favour and/or intimidation. We are confident that the results that we are about to announce reflect the democratic will of the voters. The Commission, therefore, declares this as a free, fair, and credible election that has met legal requirements of the law and international best practices.

In terms of section 109 (1) the Electoral Act, I shall announce the total number of votes counted in respect of each candidate and in accordance with section 109 subsection (2) also declare the candidate who has accumulated the highest votes duly elected as President with effect from such dates determined by the Namibian Constitution. I will now proceed to declare the results.

### ***Presidential election***

Fifteen (15) candidates contested the presidential election. A total of **14 552** votes were rejected, representing **1.3%** of the total votes cast.

I, **Dr. Elsie Tuleingepo Nghikembua**, the Chairperson of the Commission, having determined the result of the election for the President, in accordance with the provisions of the Act, and Article 28(2)(b) of the Namibian Constitution hereby make known that a total number of **1 099 582** votes have been counted and that the votes counted have been recorded for –

| Candidate                             | Political party                    | Vote count |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------|
| Amupanda Job Shipululo                | Affirmative Repositioning          | 19 676     |
| Amuthenu Vaino                        | Congress of Democrats              | 1 213      |
| Gaobaeb Hendrik                       | United Democratic Front of Namibia | 12 604     |
| Itula Panduleni Filemon Bango         | Independent Patriots for Change    | 284 106    |
| Kaaronda Evilastus                    | SWANU of Namibia                   | 7 991      |
| Kavekatora Kamboto Ratoveni<br>Mike   | Rally for Democracy and Progress   | 2 974      |
| Kumbwa Ambrosius                      | All People's Party                 | 5 197      |
| Likuwa Sakaria Amos                   | United Namibians Party             | 2 013      |
| Mudge Henry Ferdinand                 | Republican Party of Namibia        | 8 988      |
| Mukwiilongo Jan Epafras<br>Mulinasho  | Namibia Economic Freedom Fighters  | 3 978      |
| Nandi-Ndaitwah Netumbo<br>Ndemupelila | SWAPO Party of Namibia             | 638 560    |
| Shuumbwa Erastus                      | Action Democratic Movement         | 2 069      |
| Swartbooi Bernadus                    | Landless People's Movement         | 51 160     |
| Thomas Festus                         | Body of Christ Party               | 3 641      |
| Venaani Mc Henry Mike<br>Kanjonokere  | Popular Democratic Movement        | 55 412     |

I furthermore declare that **NETUMBO NDEMUPELILA NANDI-NDAITWAH** has been declared duly elected as President of the Republic of Namibia.

## ***National Assembly elections***

Twenty-one (21) political parties contested the elections. A total of **15 898** votes were rejected, representing **1.4%** of the total votes cast.

I, **Dr. Elsie Nghikembua**, the Chairperson of the Commission, having ascertained the result of the election for the National Assembly in accordance with the provisions of the Act, hereby make know that-

(a) A total number of **1, 108 583** votes have been cast;

(b) A total number of **1, 092 685** Votes have been counted; and

The quota of votes per seat has been determined as **11,382**

The quota determined in accordance with Schedule 4 of the Namibian Constitution is:

| <b>NO</b> | <b>Political party</b>                            | <b>Total votes</b> | <b>Seats</b> |
|-----------|---|--------------------|--------------|
| 1.        | Action Democratic Movement                        | 2 286              | 0            |
| 2.        | Affirmative Repositioning                         | 72 227             | 6            |
| 3.        | All People's Party                                | 7 219              | 1            |
| 4.        | Body of Christ                                    | 5 763              | 1            |
| 5.        | Christian Democratic Voice Party                  | 1 452              | 0            |
| 6.        | Congress of Democrats                             | 1 800              | 0            |
| 7.        | Independent Patriots for Change                   | 220 809            | 20           |
| 8.        | Landless People's Movement                        | 56 971             | 5            |
| 9.        | Namibia Economic Freedom Fighters                 | 11 743             | 1            |
| 10.       | National Democratic Party of Namibia              | 6 647              | 1            |
| 11.       | National Empowerment Fighting Corruption          | 3 216              | 0            |
| 12.       | National Patriotic Front of Namibia               | 1 315              | 0            |
| 13.       | National Unity Democratic Organization of Namibia | 10 687             | 1            |
| 14.       | Popular Democratic Movement                       | 59 839             | 5            |
| 15.       | Rally for Democracy and Progress                  | 3 308              | 0            |
| 16.       | Republican Party of Namibia                       | 10 942             | 1            |
| 17.       | SWANU of Namibia                                  | 11 484             | 1            |
| 18.       | SWAPO Party of Namibia                            | 583 300            | 51           |
| 19.       | United Democratic Front of Namibia                | 16 828             | 2            |
| 20.       | United Namibians Party                            | 2 706              | 0            |
| 21.       | United People's Movement                          | 2 143              | 0            |

## ***Conclusion***

Fellow Namibians, elections are competitive by nature, but democracy calls upon us to unite once the votes have been counted. I urge all Namibians to embrace the results with the spirit of unity, diversity, understanding and reconciliation.

On behalf of the Commission, I wish to extend my heartfelt congratulations to all who have won. You have been elected by the people of Namibia to lead them into a brighter future. A heavy responsibility has been bestowed upon you, and may you fulfil the expectations of the Namibian nation with energy, dedication and selflessness!

To those who have not made it this time, I say that this is the decision of the majority of the Namibian voters and we must accept it with grace and magnanimity. I commend you for your participation and encourage you to continue to play your part in building Namibia into a prosperous nation.

To all Namibians, I say let us now come together as one nation, united in purpose, and committed to building a brighter future for us all. What binds us together as Namibians is much stronger than what separates us into the different political parties.

**I now have the honor to invite the President Elect Her Excellency Netumbo Ndemupelila Nandi-Ndaitwah to deliver her acceptance remarks. Your Excellency...**