



MINUTES OF THE SADCTRLC EXECUTIVE MEETING

BOTSWANA, GABORONE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION CENTRE

Date: 20 March 2011 Time: 14:00 - 17:00

1. OPENING AND WELCOME

The SADCTRLC Chairperson (Zimbabwe- Mr Petros Ndanga) opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

The Agenda was accepted with no additional items.

LIST OF ATTENDEES

- Petros Ndanga (SADCTRLC Chairperson)
- Dr. Elsabe Steyn (SADCTRLC Regional Coordinator)
- Mwenya Chiseta SADCTRLC Committee member)
- Tombozi Tembo (Zambia)
- Naniki Moeketsi (SADCTRLC Secretariat)

ABSENT

- Seychelles
- Swaziland

3. DISCUSSION

A SADCTRLC reporting template was forwarded to member states to report on SADCTRLC activities regarding their respective countries. Only three member states, South Africa, Zambia and Zimbabwe submitted their country reports that will be presented in the SADCTRLC Annual General meeting on 21 March 2011. The SADCTRLC chairperson will request member states to submit the outstanding reports to the SADCTRLC secretariat.

During the SADC GHS workshop, members agreed to extend the working group with four SADC GHS Experts to assist the working group to develop and finalise the SADC GHS Policy Proposal.

SADCTRLC is planning another SADC GHS Working Group meeting to discuss and concur the policy proposal.

The committee discussed about the reports that will be presented to the member states responsible for the SADCTRLC activities in the SADCTRLC annual general meeting. The reports included the status and progress of the work program as well as the approved SADCTRLC Resolutions for 2010, a report back on SADCTRLC awareness workshop and the SADC GHS workshop.

The SADCTRLC committee identified unclear articles in the SADC TBT Annex and recommends that the identified articles need legal opinion and that SADC secretariat should handle this matter.

6. WAY FORWARD

 SADCTRLC committee to prepare presentations regarding the inputs on SADC TBT Annex and an update of the SADCTRLC workshops to be presented at the 2011 SADCTRLC annual general meeting.

8. Closure