

Notice in terms of Section 60(4)(a)(ii) of the Competition Act

DECISION ON THE PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF 100% ISSUED SHARE CAPITAL IN MOREMI SAFARIS (PTY) LTD BY CHOBE HOLDINGS LIMITED (DESERT & DELTA SAFARIS (PTY) LTD)

PURSUANT to Section 60(4)(a)(ii) of the Competition Act, notice is hereby given on the decision made by the Competition Authority in respect of the proposed acquisition of 100% issued share capital in Moremi Safaris by Chobe Holdings Limited through Desert & Delta Safaris.

The Authority determined to authorise the proposed transaction on the grounds that the analysis of the facts of the merger assessment showed that there were no substantial competition concerns that arise in the tourist lodges and camps market in Botswana, on account of the acquisition of 100% issued share capital in Moremi Safaris by Chobe Holdings Limited.

The Authority also took cognisance of the fact that:

1. The availability of post-merger competitive constraints will remain, post-merger to ensure that rivalry continues to discipline the commercial behaviour of the merged entity;
2. The merged entity is not considered dominant and consequently no threat of abuse of dominant market power is anticipated, post transaction implementation, as defined under Section 2 of the Competition Act (Cap 46:09); and
3. No significant negative effect on public interest in Botswana has been identified, in relation to the provisions of Section 59(2).

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 55 of the Competition Act, the Authority has approved the acquisition of 100% issued share capital in Moremi Safaris by Chobe Holdings Limited.

However, pursuant to the provisions of Section 66 of the Competition Act, this approval does not override or negate any other mandatory statutory approvals or processes that any of the parties to this merger must comply with under the Laws of Botswana.

Dated this 3rd day of June, 2013

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