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#### **ACC HQO 19-002890: ALLEGED CORRUPT PRACTICES AT A PRIVATE DISTRIBUTION COMPANY - ARREST OF MR LOURENS MARTHINUS DU PLESSIS**

The Commission on the 11<sup>th</sup> of March 2019 received information that a Distribution Manager at a private distribution company in Windhoek allegedly solicited bribes from private transport companies who are performing services to the distribution company in order to award transport work to them and to ensure that they receive lucrative routes. The bribes allegedly ranged between N\$ 1000.00 to N\$ 7000.00 depending on the amount that the transporter invoiced.

Following this information, a sting operation was organized and Mr Lourens Du Plessis (aka "Duppie") a 52-year Namibian male was arrested after he received a bribe of N\$ 3000.00. The accused appeared in the Windhoek Magistrates Court on the 10<sup>th</sup> of April 2019 and the case was remanded to the 10<sup>th</sup> of June 2019 for further investigation. Bail of N\$ 10,000.00 was set. He was charged with contravening section 33 (a) and (b) of the Anti-Corruption Act, Act No 8 of 2003 (offense of corruptly soliciting gratification).



*Lourens Marthinus Du Plessis*

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