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WORKSHOP ON DEVELOPING CORRUPTION RISK MITIGATION STRATEGIES FOR THE FISHERIES SECTOR

The Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) in partnership with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) convened a workshop on the development and implementation of preliminary corruption risk mitigation strategies for the fisheries sector from the 28th – 29th March 2019.

This initiative was specifically designed to mitigate corruption risks through assessment of processes and procedures related to the functions of fisheries observers and inspectors. The assessment process will result in concrete recommendations to mitigate the identified risks.

As part of the workshop proceedings, the ACC staff members together with the Fisheries Observers and Inspectors, got an opportunity to visit Namport and one of the fishing companies in Walvis Bay Tunacor Fisheries Limited. This exercise helped the staff members to better understand processes involved in the fishing sector.

The workshop is part of the much anticipated realization of specific objectives provided for in the National Anti-Corruption Strategy and Action Plan, which entail the identification of corruption risks and the development and implementation of corruption risk mitigation strategies.

The workshop emanated from the consultations held in October 2017 on the identification and corruption vulnerabilities in the Fisheries sector.

In attendance of the two-day workshop were: Fisheries Observers, Fisheries Inspectors, and Representatives from the Confederations of the Fishing Associations, ACC staff members and UNODC Representatives.

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