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WINDHOEK, 14 JULY 2010 – *With Internet data becoming such a key ingredient of many people’s lives, MTC pushed the envelope even further when it decided to meet the growing demand through price reductions, making data more accessible to all its customers.*

As from Wednesday (14 July 2010), the price of the MTC-powered NetMan Instant will retail for N\$499.00 down from N\$699.99. The Netman Prepaid Instant Broadband (HSDPA/3G/EDGE/GPRS) package comes complete with 3G device, starter pack and 500MB free data usage worth N\$500.00.

On top of that, customers will also have the benefit of enjoying the very popular Happy Hours of free Internet surfing between 01h00am to 05h00am seven days a week.

“We are delighted to be able to offer real savings to our customers through this price reduction while also increasing access of high speed Internet to all sectors of our society,” said Albertus Aochamub, MTC’s General Manager of Corporate Affairs.

He added: “We recognise that the world today revolves around communication and that the Internet is one tool that has the potential to connect us with our families and our business which is why MTC puts a high premium on ensuring that all Namibians have access to high speed Internet, wherever they are.”

NetMan, powered by MTC relies on a stable network with recent technology upgrades and provides the fastest internet speed of up to 7.2 Mbps in the country. The mobile internet provider has the advantage of being a wireless technology therefore customers can benefit from having a stable wireless internet connection anywhere and at anytime. NetMan is linked to the MTC network that provides coverage to 95% of the Namibian landscape in both prepaid and post paid connections, with point of sales points in the vast majority of Namibian urban and rural centres.

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ABOUT MTC:

MTC (Mobile Telecommunications Limited) was established in 1995 as a joint venture between Namibia Post and Telecommunications Holdings (NPTH), Telia and Swedfund. During May 2004, NPTH concluded a deal that saw it hold 100 per cent of the shares in MTC by acquiring the 49 per cent held by Telia Overseas AB and Swedfund International AB. During 2006 the sale of 34% of MTC shares to Portugal Telecom was concluded for N\$1.34 billion while the Namibian government retains the remainder of the stake through NPTH.

MTC currently covers 98 per cent of the population of nearly 2 million citizens with more than 650 base stations and repeaters and offers a dual band 900/1800MHZ. The company also expanded its cellular coverage to all major towns in Namibia, including the major arterial roads. It further runs two modern MSC's (mobile switching centre) in Windhoek and Oshakati with capacity to accommodate rapidly rising number of customers of over 1.3 million active users. MTC also operates the only full service customer contact centre in Namibia dealing with service queries ranging from telephony, sms, fax, GPRS, data, voicemail and 3G/HSDPA. A staff of 367 persons serves a diverse market of both pre- and postpaid subscribers.

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