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### **CHOPPIES ENTERPRISES LIMITED**

Registration number 2004/1681
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BSE SHARE CODE: CHOPPIES
Tax Reference Number: C08710401018
"Choppies" or the "Company" or "the Group"

## ABRIDGED UNAUDITED GROUP FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

The Board of Choppies Enterprises Limited announces the results of the Group for the six months ended 31 December 2018.

### Financial highlights

- These results were published late due to changes in auditors as well as the legal and forensic investigations on some of the matters raised by the auditors which reports were only concluded and released during September 2019. These events, coupled with the outbreak of COVID 19 and the lockdowns in the countries in which the Group operates, resulted in the delay in publication.
- Group Revenue increased by 3% from P5 762 million to P5 921 million. Gross profit margin increased from 19.5% to 20.5% owing to a 1.1% improvement in the Botswana segment.
- Profit decreased from P68 million to a loss of P60 million mainly due to reported losses of P100 million (2017: profit of P3 million) from the South Africa segment on the back of dismal trading conditions in the North West province.
- The Company has a policy of declaring dividends once a year based on the annual results.

Key financial data (unaudited)	2018	2017	Change
	Pula Millions	Pula Millions	
Revenue	5,921	5,762	3%
Gross profit	1,212	1,122	8%
Gross margin	20.5%	19.5%	100 bps
Operating (loss)/profit	(13)	124	(110%)
Operating margin	(0.2%)	2.2%	(237 bps)
(Loss)/Profit for the period	(60)	68	(188%)
(Loss)/Earnings per share basis	(4.0 Thebe)	5.4 Thebe	(175%)
Headline (loss)/earnings per share basic	(2.2 Thebe)	5.4 Thebe	(141%)

Net cash flows generated from operating activities	309	347	(39)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	152	199	(47)

This short form announcement is the responsibility of the Board of Directors of Choppies Enterprises Limited and is a summary of the information in the full announcement available on the Stock Exchange News Service ("SENS") at https://senspdf.jse.co.za/documents/2020/JSE/ISSE/CHP/CHPDEC18.pdf and on the Group's website: <a href="https://choppiesgroup.com/investor-relations/">https://choppiesgroup.com/investor-relations/</a>.

This announcement does not contain full details and should not be used as a basis for any investment decision in relation to the Company's shares. The full announcement is also available for inspection, at no charge, at the Company's registered office (Plot 50371, Fairgrounds office park, Gaborone, Botswana.) and the office of the Sponsor during standard office hours.

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