Afinitas Limited (“Afinitas” or the “Company”)
(Incorporated in Botswana, Company Number 2014/5015)
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

BOARD APPROVES $2.5M FOR INVESTMENT INTO ETHIOPIA

The Board of Directors is pleased to announce that it has approved the strategy to establish an Ethiopia focused holding company. This new entity will be the second subsidiary in Afinitas Limited and will have an investment mandate focused on seeding new investments in the country or investing in existing projects. It is anticipated that the new entity will be incorporated in Mauritius and will own investments directly in Ethiopia.

A total budget of $2.5m has been approved by the Board for establishing the new entity and funding its investments.

A management team based in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, has already been appointed and they have built a pipeline of potential investments for the new entity. Some of the priority investments identified to date are in the following sectors: agriculture, leasing, manufacturing and services. The team will now focus on concluding these investments. Shareholder approval will be sought where required in compliance with the Botswana Stock Exchange listing requirements. The Company will publish details of these investments at the appropriate time and keep shareholders regularly informed on progress.

Overview of Ethiopia

Ethiopia is the second most populous nation in Africa with a population estimated at close to 97 million in 2014. The Ethiopian population skews to the younger side. The youth population in Ethiopia, defined as members between the ages of 18 years and 35 years, is 28 million and represents a portion of the population that by itself is larger than the entire population of many other countries.
Ethiopia is ranked by the International Monetary Fund as one of the top 5 fastest growing economies in the world. Over the 10 years between 2004 and 2014, Ethiopia’s GDP growth averaged 10.8% per annum which is higher than the average for sub Saharan over the same period. It is anticipated that Ethiopia will continue to enjoy strong growth rates underpinned by the Government’s implementation of the second Growth and Transformation Plan.

Ethiopia is a unique investment destination in Africa. The country has a large and rapidly modernising population that is developing into a significant domestic market for goods and services produced in the country.

**By order of the directors of Afinitas Limited**

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