1. Prove that  $B(\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{C})$  is isomorphic (as a normed space) to  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . To be more precise, you need to show that there exists a map

$$\rho\colon B(\mathbb{C}^n,\mathbb{C})\longrightarrow\mathbb{C}^n,$$

such that

- i)  $\rho$  is bijective (both injective and surjective)
- ii)  $\rho$  is linear. In other words, for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{C}^n$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ , we have

$$\rho(x+y) = \rho(x) + \rho(y) \text{ and } \rho(\lambda x) = \lambda \rho(x).$$

iii)  $\rho$  preserves the norm structure. In other words, for all  $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$ , we have  $\|\rho(x)\| = \|x\|$ .

2. Assuming we have the following fact (which can be derived from the Hahn-Banach Theorem):

<sup>66</sup> Let X be a Banach space. Then for any  $x \in X$  with  $x \neq 0$ , there exists a bounded linear functional on f on X (in other words,  $f \in B(X, \mathbb{C})$ ) such that  $f(x) \neq 0$ .

Consider the following map

 $\rho\colon X \longrightarrow X^{**}, \ x \mapsto \rho(x) \text{ with } \rho(x)(f) = f(x) \ \forall f \in X^*.$ 

Prove that the map  $\rho$  is linear and injective.