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No. 1369

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**NATIONAL EDUCATION POLICY ACT, 1996 (ACT NO. 27 OF 1996)
NATIONAL POLICY: EDUCATION WHITE PAPER FIVE (5) ON EARLY
CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT**

The Minister of Education, after consultation with the Council of Education Ministers, hereby amend national policy: Education White Paper 5 on Early Childhood Development as promulgated by Government Notice No. 1043 of Government Gazette No. 22756 of 17 October 2001.

Professor Kader Asmal, MP
Minister of Education
10 December 2001

Schedule

Substitution of paragraph 4.2.1.17 of Education White Paper 5 in Notice No. 1043 of Government Gazette No. 22756 of 17 October 2001.

1. On page 48, to substitute paragraph 4.2.1.17 of the following:
“4.2.1.17 Subject to provincial budgetary or other needs the [The] policy would be that free-standing public ECD enters as traditionally operated in certain provincial departments of education would continue, but they would have to operate within the framework of the South African Schools Act, would have to be managed by a school governing body and funding would have to flow through these bodies. Care providers would be employees of these bodies. In order to enhance accountability and keep these enters under the administrative reach of

the provincial departments of education, we propose that principals or directors of these enters remain employees of the provincial departments of education.”

Addition of a new paragraph 4.2.1.17A of Education White Paper 5 in Notice No. 1043 of Government Gazette No. 22756 of 17 October 2001.

2. On page 49, to add the following new paragraph 4.2.1.17A:

“4.2.1.17A Provincial policies aiming at implementing Early Childhood Development in poverty stricken areas as determined by the executing authority shall prevail over paragraph 4.2.1.17.”

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