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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

No. 742

17 August 2007**SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY ACT, 1995 (ACT NO. 58 OF 1995) AS AMENDED****CALLING FOR THE NOMINATION OF PERSONS TO SERVE AS MEMBERS ON THE FOURTH SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY FOR THE PERIOD 27 OCTOBER 2007 UNTIL 26 OCTOBER 2010**

1. T, Grace Naledi Mandisa Pandor, Minister of Education, in consultation with the Minister of Labour, Mr MMS Mdladlana, hereby give notice in terms of *Section 4(4) of the South African Qualifications Authority Act, 1995 (Act No. 58 of 1995)* as amended, hereafter referred to as “the SAQA Act”, and invite nominations of persons who, on account of their experience and expertise in matters relating to the functions of the Authority, may be suitable candidates for appointment as members of the Fourth Authority.
2. This *Government Notice* is concerned with the procedures for nominating all members of the Authority, except the Chairperson and the Executive Officer. Members of the Authority will be appointed for a three-year period, namely 27 October 2007 until 26 October 2010. The post of members of the Authority is not a full-time appointment.

Nominations for membership of the Authority

3. In terms of *section 4(3) of the SAQA Act* a number of bodies or organisations are requested to nominate persons “who, on account of their experience and expertise in matters relating to the functions of the Authority may be suitable candidates for

appointment as members of the Authority", and "due recognition is to be given to the principle of representivity."

4. Nominations for membership of the Authority should reach the address given in paragraph 8 by **21 September** 2007, and should enclose a *curriculum vitae* and a letter of consent signed by each nominee.
5. Bodies and organisations which are named in the *SAQA Act*, as well as the number of nominations required, are listed as follows:

BODIES OR ORGANISATIONS	NOMINATIONS
Director-General: Education	1
Heads of the provincial education departments	1
Director-General: Labour	1
National Skills Authority (formerly the National Training Board)	1
Higher Education South Africa (formerly the South African Universities' Vice Chancellors' Association (formerly the Committee of University Principals, established in terms of <i>section 6 of the Universities Act, 1955 (Act No. 61 of 1955)</i>), and (formerly the Committee of Technikon Principals, established by <i>section 2 of the Technikon Act, 1993 (Act No. 125 of 1993)</i>), in compliance with <i>sections 4(3)(g) and 4(3)(h) of the South African Qualifications Authority Act, 1995 (Act No. 58 of 1995)</i>)	2

6. National bodies or organisations which are not named in the *SAQA Act*, but which represent sectors referred to in the Act and recognised by the Minister for the purpose of making nominations. The following bodies or organisations are recognised for this purpose, and are requested to make the number of nominations provided for in the Act:

BODIES OR ORGANISATIONS	NOMINATIONS
National organisations representing Organised Labour	3
National organisations representing Organised Business	2
National organisations representing Further Education and Training Colleges (formerly technical college rectors) and recognised by the Minister for this purpose	1
National organisations representing colleges other than teachers' colleges and Further Education and Training Colleges (formerly technical college rectors) and recognised by the Minister for this purpose	1
National organisations representing the Adult Basic Education and Training sector and recognised by the Minister for this purpose	1
National organisations representing the Early Childhood Development sector and recognised by the Minister for this purpose	1
Members nominated by the organised teaching profession. Anyone organisation or union shall make not more than one nomination.	3
National organisations representing lecturers and trainers and recognised by the Minister for this purpose	2
National organisations representing the Special Education Needs sector and recognised by the Minister for this purpose	1

Recommendation of candidates for discretionary appointment by the Minister

7. In terms of *section 4(3)(q)* of the *SAQA Act*, the Minister may appoint not more than six (6) members at her discretion. Any body or organisation whose interests are not otherwise covered by the *SAQA Act*, and who wishes to nominate a candidate who, on account of his or her experience and expertise in matters relating to the functions of the Authority, for appointment by the Minister. A *curriculum vitae* and a letter of consent from the nominee should be enclosed. Nominations marked "Discretionary Appointments to SAQA", should be received at the address given in paragraph 8 below by 21 September 2007. However, it must be clearly stated that the Minister of Education is not obliged to restrict herself only to recommendations received in terms of this Notice, but that she is also entitled to make discretionary appointments over and above recommendations received by means of this Notice.

8. Please address all correspondence in connection with this *Government Notice* to:

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