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DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS

PROCLAMATION NOTICE 36 OF 2021

DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2002

AMENDMENT OF DIRECTIONS ISSUED IN TERMS OF REGULATION 4(8) AND (10) OF THE REGULATIONS MADE UNDER SECTION 27(2) OF THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2002 (ACT NO. 57 OF 2002): MEASURES TO PREVENT AND COMBAT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

I, **Dr Pakishe Aaron Motsoaledi**, the Minister of Home Affairs, having issued Directions published in *Government Gazette* No. 43162, Government Notice No. 416 of 26 March 2020, as amended, hereby issue the Directions set out in the Schedule in order to prevent and combat the spread of COVID-19.



DR PAKISHE AARON MOTSOALEDI, MP
MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS

DATE: 28/9/2021

SCHEDULE

Definitions

1. In these Directions, unless the context otherwise indicates—
“**Directions**” means the Directions published in *Government Gazette* No. 43162, Government Notice No. 416 of 26 March 2020, as amended by Government Notice No. R. 518 of 9 May 2020, Government Notice No. 664 of 10 June 2020, Government Notice No. 749 of 3 July 2020, Government Notice No. 843 of 31 July 2020, Government Notice No. 923 of 25 August 2020, Government Notice No. 1029 of 30 September 2020, Government Notice No. 1142 of 23 October 2020, Government Notice No. 1277 of 3 December 2020, Government Notice No. 16 of 14 January 2021, Government Notice No. 271 of 26 March 2021 and Government Notice No. 398 of 30 June 2021; and

“Regulations” means the Regulations made in terms of section 27(2) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No. 57 of 2002) and published in *Government Gazette* No. 43258, Government Notice No. R. 480 of 29 April 2020, as amended by Government Notices No. R.608 of 28 May 2020, No. R.714 of 25 June 2020, No. R.763 of 12 July 2020, No. R.846 of 31 July 2020, No. R.891 of 17 August 2020, No. 999 of 18 September 2020, No. 1053 of 1 October 2020, No. 1104 of 21 October 2020, No. 1199 of 11 November 2020, No. 1290 of 3 December 2020, No. 1346 of 15 December 2020, No. 1370 of 17 December 2020, No. 1421 of 24 December 2020, No. 1423 and 1435 of 29 December 2020, No. 11223 of 11 January 2021, No. R. 86 of 11 February 2021, No. 92 and No. 93 of 13 February 2021, No. R. 152 of 28 February 2021, No. R. 284 of 30 March 2021, No. 376 of 22 April 2021, No. R. 477 of 30 May 2021, No. R. 530 of 15 June 2021, No. R. 532 of 17 June 2021, No. R. 565 of 27 June 2021, No. R.567 of 29 June 2021, No. R. 610 of 11 July 2021, No R. 612 of 14 July 2021, No. R. 614 of 14 July 2021, No. R. 651 of 25 July 2021, No. 669 of 30 July 2021 and No. R. 869 of 12 September 2021.

Amendment of paragraphs 12.3, 19, 20 and 21.1 of the Directions

2.1 Paragraphs 12.3, 19, 20 and 21.1 of the Directions are hereby amended by the substitution for the date 30 September 2021 referred to in these paragraphs, of the date 31 December 2021, as the date until which the validity of visas and permits is extended and the date until which a person holding such visa or permit may leave the Republic without being declared as undesirable, respectively.

2.2 The extension of the validity of visas or permits referred to in paragraph 2.1 above applies to—

- (a) persons who have applied for a waiver in terms of section 31(2)(c) of the Immigration Act, 2002 (Act No. 13 of 2002) and have not departed the Republic since the announcement of the national state of disaster in March 2020; and
- (b) to holders of asylum seeker permits and refugee status which expired during the period of national state of disaster.

2.3 A holder of a visa or permit must adhere to the terms and conditions of his or her visa and any activity not endorsed onto such visa or permits is prohibited.

Substitution of paragraph 17H of the Directions

3. The following paragraph is hereby substituted for paragraph 17H of the Directions:

“17H. SERVICES TO BE RENDERED BY DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS

17H.1 The following services will be rendered by the Department of Home Affairs during Alert Level 2 of the period of the national state of disaster:

- (a) Births registration;
- (b) late registration of birth;
- (c) re-issuance of birth, marriage and death certificates;

- (d) applications for unabridged birth, marriage and deaths certificates, including vault copies;
- (e) death registration;
- (f) applications for temporary identity certificates;
- (g) applications and collection of identity card or document;
- (h) applications and collection of passports;
- (i) solemnisation and registration of marriages;
- (j) applications for retention and renunciation of citizenship;
- (k) applications for rectifications and amendments of personal particulars;
- (l) applications for travel documents for persons who are to take up employment or studies abroad, attend funerals or other emergency situations, on submission of proof therefor;
- (m) all Back Office operational services to support front Offices on the above services;
- (n) visa services in terms of the Immigration Act; and
- (o) online renewal of refugee status and asylum seeker permits/visas.

17H.2 The permit services in terms of the Immigration Act will be rendered by the Department of Home Affairs as follows:

- (a) permanent residence permits appeals applications with effect from 1 October 2021;
- (b) proof of permanent residence permits applications with effect from 1 October 2021; and
- (c) permanent residence permits applications with effect from 1 January 2022."

Short title and commencement

4. These Directions are called the Twelfth Amendment Directions to the Directions and commence on 30 September 2021, save for paragraph 3 which shall commence on the date of publication in the *Government Gazette*.