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## **DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES**

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## MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2002 (ACT No. 28 OF 2002)

INVITATION FOR REPRESENTATIONS FROM RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS ON A PROPOSED RESTRICTION UNDER SECTION 49 (1) OF THE MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT (ACT No. 28 OF 2002) ON THE GRANTING OF ANY NEW APPLICATION FOR A PROSPECTING RIGHT AND MINING RIGHTS IN TERMS OF SECTION 16 AND 22 AND PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS FOR RENEWAL OF A PROSPECTING RIGHT AND RENEWAL OF A MINING RIGHT IN TERMS OF SECTION 18 AND 24 OF THE ACT AND RECEIVING OF SECTION 11 APPLICATIONS OF THE ACT.

I, Mosebenzi J Zwane, Minister of Mineral Resources, having regard to the national interest and the need to promote the sustainable development of the nation's mineral resources, hereby invites representations from relevant stakeholders on my intention to restrict the granting of any new application for a prospecting right and mining right in terms of section 16 and 22 and processing of applications for renewal of a prospecting right and renewal of a mining right in terms of sections 18 and 24 of the Act and granting of section 11 applications of the Act, in respect of all Regions (Eastern Cape, Gauteng, Free State, Kwa-Zulu Natal, Limpopo, Mpumalanga, North-West, Northern Cape and Western Cape).

The intended restriction shall not be applicable to applications received and accepted before the date of publication of this notice, subject to the condition that such applications, if granted, shall not immediately upon granting subject the right holder to the requirements of the Mining Charter, 2017.

Representations from relevant stakeholders must be submitted in writing to:

The Deputy Director-General

Attention: Mr. Joel Raphela

Department of Mineral Resources

Private Bag X59

Pretoria

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Written representations may also be sent by email to Joel.Raphela@dmr.gov.za.

Written representations must reach the Department by no later than Friday, 4 August 2017.

MR MOSEBENZI J ZWANE, MP

MINISTER OF MINERAL RESOURCES