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MARKETING OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS ACT, 1996

(ACT No. 47 OF 1996)

REQUEST FOR THE CONTINUATION OF STATUTORY MEASURES IN THE SOUTH AFRICAN WOOL INDUSTRY (REGISTRATION AND RECORDS & RETURNS)

It is hereby made known in terms of section 11 of the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act, 1996 (Act No. 47 of 1996), that the Minister of Agriculture has received a request for a continuation of statutory measures in the wool industry. More information is contained in the Schedule attached hereto.

Directly affected groups are hereby invited to lodge support, objection or comments regarding the proposed continuation of the statutory measures with the National Agricultural Marketing Council within 14 days of the publication thereof.

Submissions should be in writing and be addressed to:

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REQUEST FOR THE CONTINUATION OF STATUTORY MEASURES IN THE SOUTH AFRICAN WOOL INDUSTRY (REGISTRATION AND RECORDS & RETURNS) IN TERMS OF THE MARKETING OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS ACT, 1996 (ACT NO 47 OF 1996), AS AMENDED

1. STATUTORY MEASURES

The statutory measures that is requested to be continued, is that the Minister, in terms of sections 10 and 13 of the Act, by notice in the Government Gazette, direct that producers, brokers, traders or wool buyers, processors, importers and exporters register with Cape Wools SA, and further to keep records and submit returns to Cape Wools SA.

2. INFORMATION REQUIRED BY SECTION 10 OF THE ACT

The particulars as required by section 10 of the Act to be included in a request for the establishment of a statutory measure are as follows:

- 2.1 The statutory measure that is requested to be established, would relate to registration, records and returns.
- 2.2 The categories of directly affected groups which would probably be affected by the proposed extension of the statutory measures are:
 - Brokers: persons dealing with wool in the course of trade by treating, keeping, conveying, selling or processing wool on behalf of a producer or cause such actions to be taken on behalf of a producer, or for himself:
 - Exporters: persons dealing with wool in the course of trade by exporting it from the Republic;
 - Importers: persons dealing with wool in the course of trade by importing it into the Republic;
 - Processors: persons dealing with wool in the course of trade by scouring and combing it, or processing it in any other manner, or cause such actions to be taken;
 - Producers: persons producing wool or involved in the production of wool: and
 - Traders or wool buyers: persons dealing with wool in the course of trade by buying and selling wool.
- 2.3 Support for the proposed continuation of the statutory measures was given by the different categories of directly affected and other groups in the wool industry.
- 2.4 The proposed statutory measure will apply to the whole of the Republic of South Africa.
- 2.5 According to the applicant, the proposed continuation of the statutory measures will further the objectives of the Act as stipulated in section 2(2) thereof. Such establishment will also not contravene section 2(3) of the Act, namely will not be substantially detrimental to food security, the number of employment opportunities or to fair labour practices.