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Dear All

**RE: TRANSGENDER AND GENDER-DIVERSE PERSONS AND ESSENTIAL SERVICES
AT THE DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS DURING LOCKDOWN**

1. I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 24 August 2020 and have noted the concerns raised by your organisations.
2. Kindly note that I have issued Directions on 25 August 2020 addressing, *inter alia*, some of the issues you raised in your collective letter. I annex hereto a copy the Directions published in the *Gazette* marked "A".
3. I take this opportunity to thank you for raising the matters on behalf of your organisations and am looking forward to further constructive engagement in the near future.

Yours sincerely


**DR PA MOTSOLEDI, MP
MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS**

DATE:

26/8/2020

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DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS

NO. 923

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DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2002

AMENDMENT OF DIRECTIONS ISSUED IN TERMS OF REGULATION 4(8) 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 by Government Notice No. 518 of 9 May 2020 and Government Notice No. 664 of 10 June 2020, hereby, in terms of regulation 4(8), read with regulation 4(10) of the Regulations made under 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, 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: 24/8/2020

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 and Government Notice No. 843 of 31 July 2020; 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 and No. R.891 of 17 August 2020.

Insertion of paragraph 17F in the Directions

2. The following paragraph is hereby inserted in the Directions after paragraph 17E:

“17F. SERVICES TO BE RENDERED BY DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER ALERT LEVEL 2

17F.1 The following additional services will be rendered by the Department of Home Affairs during Alert Level 2 of the period of the national state of disaster, in addition to the services mentioned in paragraphs 17D and 17E:

- (a) applications for first issue of Identity Card or Green Bar-coded Identity Document;
- (b) applications for Identity Cards or Green Bar-coded Identity Documents by persons who have been issued with a Temporary Identity Certificate during the national state of disaster, which certificates have expired;
- (c) applications for amendments of personal particulars;
- (d) applications for rectification of personal particulars; and
- (e) Back Office records retrieval services.”

17F.2 All Temporary Identity Certificates issued during the period of the national state of disaster that have not yet expired on the date of commencement of this Directions, are hereby extended up to 31 October 2020.

Short title and commencement

3. These Directions are called the Fifth Amendment Directions to the Directions published in *Government Gazette* No. 43162, Government Notice No. 416 of 26 March 2020 and commence on the date of publication thereof in the *Government Gazette*.

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