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**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

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GOSA

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Dear GOSA

### **ENQUIRY INTO THE FUNCTIONING OF THE CENTRAL FIREARMS REGISTRY IN THE SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE SERVICE: REQUEST FOR SUBMISSIONS**

The Minister of Police Mr E N Mthethwa, MP, has requested The Civilian Secretariat for Police, to lead a project that involves an assessment of the implementation of the Firearms Control Act, 2000 (Act No. 60 of 2000) ("the Act") and related matters. The project will be covering the following areas-

- i. The identification of gaps and weaknesses in the Legislation with particular emphasis on Regulations.
- ii. An assessment of the different processes and mechanisms or systems that have, or have not, been put in place in the Central Firearms Registry to ensure the smooth and efficient implementation of the Act.
- iii. An assessment and evaluation of the administrative and capacity problems of or in the Central Firearms Registry that negatively affect the timeous and proper processing of firearm licence applications and matters related thereto, as well as the management of the database of properly licensed firearms. This exercise will include an assessment of the Firearms Appeal Board.
- iv. The identification of issues or interventions emanating from the legal obligations and the implementation of the Act and Regulations that would require the urgent attention of the Minister of Police and / or the National Commissioner.

A Team has been constituted to assist me in conducting the assessment and I am required to submit a written Assessment Report with findings and recommendations to the Minister by the 31 July 2010.

You are hereby invited to make written submissions on the areas referred to above. Your submissions must be directed to my office marked for the attention of Mr M Mafologela and must reach my office by the 30 June 2010. The submissions may be delivered in any of the following ways –

Hand-delivery: The Secretariat for Police,  
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In making your submissions, kindly ensure that you clearly and succinctly indicate the area or issue that, in your view, you find problematic and which needs to be addressed, together with a succinct and clear recommendation on how you feel that the issue or area should be addressed.

The Minister has committed himself to ensuring that the Department of Police delivers an effective service to all and that it effectively implements all legislation administered by it. Your constructive comments and inputs will assist towards this vision and I trust that you will take this opportunity in the spirit that is intended.

Any queries may be directed to me via my Personal Assistant Ms Noluthando Xuba at (012) - 393 2519/20 or e-mail [xuban@saps.org.za](mailto:xuban@saps.org.za).

I await your submissions and inputs.

Kind regards

  
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Jenni Irish-Qhobosheane  
Secretary of Police  
Date: 25 June 2010