

NOTICE 570 OF 2008
DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

VARIATION OF SCOPE OF THE FURNITURE BARGAINING COUNCIL

I, Johannes Theodorus Crouse, Registrar of Labour Relations, hereby, give notice in terms of section 109 that, following an application for the variation of scope by the above-mentioned Council, has been varied as contained in the Annexure hereto.

ANNEXURE

The scope of registration of the abovenamed Bargaining Council has in terms of section 58 of the Labour Relations Act, of 1995, been varied.

With effect from.....the Council is registered in respect of-

The Furniture, Bedding, Upholstery and Curtain Manufacturing Industry in the Provinces of:

- Gauteng
- North West
- Mpumalanga
- Limpopo and
- Free State

For the purposes hereof-

“Furniture, Bedding, Upholstery and Curtain Manufacturing Industry” means, without in any way limiting the ordinary meaning of the expression, the industry in which employers and their employees are associated for the manufacture either in whole or in part of all types of furniture, bedding and curtains as well as upholstery and/or re- upholstery and will, inter alia, include the following:

(1) **Furniture**

Repairing, staining, spraying, polishing, re-polishing, making loose covers and/or cushions, wood machining, veneering, woodturning, carving, assembling, painting wood bending and laminating. Furniture manufacturing will also include the manufacturing, repairing, polishing, re-polishing, staining, spraying of pianos, organs, coffins, kitchen cupboards, attached wall cupboards, free standing bars or bar counters, cane wicker or grass furniture, cabinets including cabinets for musical instruments and radios, wireless or television cabinets, bathroom cupboards, cupboard tops and furniture for tea-rooms, restaurants, offices, churches, schools, libraries, other educational institutions, conference centres and theatres but excluding the manufacturing of furniture made mainly of metal and/or plastic materials.

(2) **Bedding**

The manufacturing, repairing, covering, re-covering of mattress bases, mattresses, spring mattresses, overlays, bolsters, pillows, cushions for studios couches, spring units, box-spring mattresses and studio couches but excluding the manufacturing of furniture made mainly of metal and/or plastic materials.

“Studio Couch” means an article of furniture, which is designed for seating and for conversion into a double bed or two or more beds and of which the frames are constructed mainly of metal and the seating and/or sleeping surfaces consist of mattresses and /or cushions.

(3) **Upholstery**

The upholstering or re-upholstering of any furniture, or item of furniture, bedding, pelmets and mattress bases.

(4) **Curtain making**

The making, altering, repairing and hanging of curtains and/or blinds. Curtain making includes window treatment, cutting of rails and rods, fitting of pelmets, curtains, blinds and associated products.

Date: 6 May 2008

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REGISTRAR OF LABOUR RELATIONS