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GOVERNMENT NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**No. 1257****30 November 2001****NATIONAL EDUCATION POLICY ACT, 1996 (ACT NO. 27 OF 1996)****ITEM FOR INCLUSION AS ADDENDUM TO THE POLICY DOCUMENT, A
RÉSUMÉ OF INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMMES IN SCHOOLS, REPORT 550
(2001/08)**

The Minister of Education, after consultation with the Council of Education Ministers, hereby determines national policy in terms of *Section 3(4)(l) of the National Education Policy Act, 1996 (Act No. 27 of 1996)*, relating to curriculum frameworks, core syllabuses and education programmes, learning standards, examinations and the certification of qualifications, that:

- (a) item be included as an addendum to the policy document, *A résumé of instructional programmes in schools, Report 550 (2001/08)*; and
- (b) this addendum be published in the Government Gazette.

The item to be included as an addendum to the policy document, *A résumé of instructional programmes in schools, Report 550 (2001/08)*, will read as follows:

- “1. For a Senior Certificate passed with merit, a candidate would have to obtain an aggregate between 1260 and 1679.
- 2. For a Senior Certificate passed with distinction, a candidate would have to obtain an aggregate of 1680 or more.
- 3. The criteria should apply irrespective of the number of Higher or Standard Grade subjects and whether the certificate was achieved with endorsement or not.”

He further gives notice in terms of *section 7* of the said Act that this policy is obtainable upon written request from the Director-General, Department of Education, Private Bag X110, Pretoria, 0001. For attention Mrs C.C. Dicks at telephone (012) 312-5810 or fax (012) 323-8070.

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