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HIGHER EDUCATION ACT, 1997 (ACT No. 101 OF 1997)

MERGER OF A SUBDIVISION OF A PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION WITH ANOTHER PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION

THE MERGING OF THE DISTANCE EDUCATION CENTRE (VUDEC), A SUBDIVISION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VISTA, WITH THE OPEN LEARNING UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH AFRICA

I, Professor Kader Asmal, MP, Minister of Education, in accordance with section 24(1) of the Higher Education Act, 1997 (Act No. 101 of 1997), and after consulting the Council on Higher Education, hereby merge the distance education centre (VUDEC), a subdivision of the University of Vista, with Open Learning University of South Africa. The date of the merger and the transitional arrangements required to ensure the effective implementation of the merger process are set out in the Schedule hereto

Professor Kader Asmal, MP Minister of Education

SCHEDULE

The date of the merger

1 February 2002

The transitional arrangements

The distance education centre (VUDEC), a subdivision of the University of Vista, is merged with Open Learning University of South Africa as a going concern.

The assets, liabilities, rights and obligations of the subdivision devolve upon the Open Learning University of South Africa.

Existing agreements of employment the University of Vista and its employees must on 1 February 2002 be deemed to be agreements entered into between those employees and the Open Learning University of South Africa and must continue to exist subject to applicable labour laws and those employees must be deemed to have served continuously under the same employer without interruption.

Any agreement lawfully entered into by or on behalf of the subdivision is deemed to have been concluded by the Open Learning University of South Africa.