DEPARTMENT OF MINERALS AND ENERGY

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MINES AND WORKS ACT, 1956 (ACT NO 27 OF 1956)

DECLARATION OF WORK IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST

Under Section 9(1)(f) of the Mines and Works Act, 1956 (Act No 27 of 1956), I, P Mlambo-Ngcuka, Minister of Minerals and Energy, hereby declare that, in my opinion, the performance on Sundays of work at the mine known as Palabora Mining Company Limited, - Palabora Underground Mining Project in the Magisterial District of Phalaborwa, in the Limpopo Province, is necessary in the national interest for a period of twelve months ending 30 April 2004

MS P MLAMBO-NGCUKA MINISTER OF MINERALS AND ENERGY

SCHEDULE

DESCRIPTION OF WORK

- 1. Hoisting of men, rock and material at the Production and Service Shafts.
- 2. Loading and tramming of broken rock.
- 3. Mark off and drilling of underground excavations.
- 4. Charge up and blasting of underground excavations.
- 5. Making safe, cleaning and installation of support in underground excavations.
- 6. Installation of services in underground excavations.
- Civil, mechanical and electrical work related to the installation of the main belt conveyor system; main de-watering system; main dust settling system and the ore system.

Description of mine

The mine known as Palabora Underground Mining Project on the farms Laaste 24 LU, Sheila 10 KU, Merensky 32 LU, Wegsteek 30 LU, Vereeniging 11 KU and Loole 31 LU, situated in the Magisterial District of Phalaborwa, Limpopo Province and at present being worked by Palabora Mining Company Limited, P O Box 65, Phalaborwa, 1390.