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WORLD HERITAGE CONVENTION ACT, 1999

CALL FOR COMMENTS ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AUTHORITY FOR THE UKHAHLAMBA-DRAKENSBERG PARK WORLD HERITAGE SITE

- 1. I, Mohammed Valli Moosa, Minister of Environmental Affairs and Tourism, intend-
 - 1.1 declaring the KwaZulu-Natal Nature Conservation Board as the authority for the uKhahlamba-Drakensberg Park World Heritage Site in terms of section 8 of the World Heritage Convention Act, 1999 (Act No. 49 of 1999) (the "Act"); and
 - 1.2 publishing regulations for the uKhahlamba-Drakensberg World Heritage Site in terms of section 44 of the Act
- 2. All interested and affected parties, including all affected—
 - (a) provinces;
 - (b) local governments;
 - (c) cultural authorities;
 - (d) nature conservation authorities;
 - (e) heritage authorities; and
 - (f) other organs of state,

are hereby invited to submit written comments or objections regarding such proposed declaration and/or publication on or before 29 September 2003.

- 3. All interested and affected parties in 2 above are also hereby invited to attend at and participate in a public hearings to be held at the following times at the following venues at which hearings the declaration of the KwaZulu-Natal Nature Conservation Board as the authority for the uKhahlamba-Drakensberg Park World Heritage Site, as well as the draft regulations for the uKhahlamba-Drakensberg World Heritage Site will be tabled for discussion—
 - (i) the Farmers' Association, Sani Road, Underberg at 14h00 on 6 October 2003;
 - (ii) the Ezemvelo auditorium, Queen Elizabeth Park, No. 1 End of Duncan McKenzie Drive, Pietermaritzburg at 14h00 on 7 October 2003; and
 - (iii) the Farmers' Association Hall, Broadway Road, Bergville, at 10h00 on 7 October 2003.
- 4. The draft regulations can be viewed on Ezemvelo KwaZulu-Natal's website, www.kznwildlife.com, or copies can be obtained from Ezemvelo KwaZulu-Natal Wildlife's Offices at Queen Elizabeth Park, No. 1 End of Duncan McKenzie Drive, Pietermaritzburg.
- 5. The written comments or objections must be addressed to:

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