

PROCLAMATION*by the**President of the Republic of South Africa***No. R. 3, 2004****DECLARATION OF THE DROUGHT THAT OCCURRED IN THE FREE STATE PROVINCE TO BE A DISASTER**

Under the powers vested in me by Section 26 of the Fund-Raising Act, 1978 (Act No 107 of 1978), I hereby declare the drought that occurred in the Free State Province which caused severe damage and loss since October 2002 in the Magisterial Districts of Xhariep, Motheo, Lejweleputswa, Thaba Nchu, Kopanong, Mohokare, Letsemeng and Masilonyana to be a disaster for the purposes of this Act.

Given under my Hand and Seal of the Republic of South Africa at Pretoria this Sixteenth day of January, Two thousand and Four.

**PRESIDENT**

By Order of the President-in-Cabinet

**MINISTER OF CABINET**