

NOTICE 173 OF 2004**COMPETITION TRIBUNAL****NOTIFICATION OF DECISION TO APPROVE MERGER**

The Competition Tribunal gives notice in terms of rule 35 (5) (b) (ii) of the "Rules for the conduct of proceedings in the Competition Tribunal" as published in Government Gazette No. 22025 of 01 February 2001, that on 17 December 2003 it approved without conditions the merger between Rand Merchant Bank, a division of Firstrand Bank Ltd and Mettle Treasury (Pty) Ltd

(Case No. 65/LM/Nov03)

**The Chairperson
Competition Tribunal**