DEPARTMENT OF MINERALS AND ENERGY DEPARTEMENT VAN MINERALE EN ENERGIE

No. 1306

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DECLARATION OF WORK IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST

Under section 9(1)(f)of the Mines and Works Act,1956 (Act 27 of 1956), I P Mlambo-Ngcuka, Minister of Minerals and Energy, hereby declare that, in my opinion, the performance of work on Sundays at the mine known as Palabora Mining Company (Pty) Ltd; Vermiculite Mine in the magisterial district of Phalaborwa, in the Limpopo Province, is necessary in the national interest for a period of twelve months ending 31 August 2005

MS P MLAMBO NGOUKA

MINISTER OF MINERALS AND ENERGY

SCHEDULE

DESCRIPTION OF WORK

- The loading of ore at the vermiculite mine and stockpiles and the hauling thereof to the plant.
- 2. The drilling of blast holes and holes for support of the high walls.
- The supporting of the high walls.
- 4. The crushing of ore.
- 5. The loading and hauling of phosphate ore to Foskor Limited.
- 6. The loading, hauling and dumping of waste rock.

DESCRIPTION OF THE MINE

The mine is known as, Palabora Mining Company (Pty) Ltd: Vermiculite Mine on the farms Laaste 24 LU, Sheila 10 KU, Merensky 32 LU, Wegsteek 30 LU, Vereeniging 11KU and Loole 31 LU, situated in the magisterial district of Phalaborwa and is presently being worked by Palabora Mining Company (Pty) Limited, P O Box 65, Phalaborwa, 1390