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**WORLD HERITAGE CONVENTION ACT, 1999 (ACT NO. 49 of 1999):
DECLARATION OF THE NORTH WEST MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE
COUNCIL FOR AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND ENVIRONMENT AS
THE AUTHORITY FOR THE TAUNG SKULL FOSSIL SITE**

I, Marthinus Christoffel Johannes van Schalkwyk, Minister of Environmental Affairs and Tourism intend to declare my intention, by virtue of the powers vested in me by sections 7(1) and 5(b) of the World Heritage Convention Act, 1999 (Act No. 49 of 1999) to appoint the Member of the Executive Council for Agriculture, Conservation and Environment, North West Province as the Authority for the Taung Skull Fossil Site, which is a component of the Fossil Hominid sites of South Africa.

Interested and affected parties are invited to submit comments or objections on the proposed declaration within thirty (30) days of the date of publication of this notice, to:

The Director-General
Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism
Private Bag X447
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ATTENTION: Mr Ntsizi November
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All interested and affected parties are also hereby invited to attend and participate in a public hearing to be held at 10h00 on 30 January 2008 at the Taung Community Hall, Taung at which the declaration of the Member of the Executive Council for Agriculture, Conservation and Environment, North West Province as the Authority for the Taung Skull Fossil site will be tabled for discussion.



MARTHINUS VAN SCHALKWYK, MP
MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND TOURISM