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**GOVERNMENT NOTICE****DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT****No. 1243****21 November 2008****INCREASE IN RESPECT OF SOCIAL GRANTS**

The Minister for Social Development has, in terms of the Social Assistance Act, 2004 (Act No. 13 of 2004), with the concurrence of the Minister of Finance, announced an increase in social grants.

The new maximum monthly amounts are as follows:

<i>Type of grant</i>	<i>Old amount</i>	<i>New amount</i>
Older persons	R940	R960
War veterans	R960	R980
Disability	R940	R960
Grant-in-aid	R210	R230
Foster child	R650	R650
Care dependency	R940	R960
Child support grant	R220	R230

The increase will be effected on 1 October 2008.

**MINISTER FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT****DATE: 17/11/08**