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**GOVERNMENT NOTICE**

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND TOURISM****No. 148****13 February 2009****DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND TOURISM****NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT: BIODIVERSITY ACT, 2004 (ACT NO. 10 OF 2004)**

I, Marthinus Christoffel Johannes van Schalkwyk, Minister of Environmental Affairs and Tourism, hereby announce a national moratorium on the trade of individual rhinoceros horns and any derivatives or products of the horns within South Africa under Section 57(2) of the National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act, 2004 (Act No.10 of 2004). The moratorium will take effect immediately and will stay in place until further notice.



**MARTHINUS VAN SCHALKWYK**  
**MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND TOURISM**