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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

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DIRECTIONS ISSUED IN TERMS OF REGULATION 4(10) OF THE REGULATIONS MADE UNDER SECTION 27(2) OF THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2002 (ACT NO. 57 OF 2002): MEASURES TO PREVENT AND COMBAT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

I, **Ms Lindiwe Zulu**, the Minister of Social Development, in terms of regulation 4(10) of the Regulations made under section 27(2) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No. 57 of 2002) and published in Government *Gazette* No. 43258, Government Notice No. R480 of 29 April 2020 as amended, hereby issue the Directions set out in the Schedule hereto, in order to prevent and combat the spread of the COVID-19.

MS LINDIWE ZULU, MP

MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

DATE: 18/02/2021

SCHEDULE

Definition

1. In this Schedule unless the context indicates otherwise-

"Directions" means the Directions published in Government Gazette No. 43182, Government Notice No. R. 430 of 30 March 2020 as amended by Government Notices No. R. 455 of 07 April 2020, No. R. 517 of 09 May 2020, No. R. 727 of 02 July 2020, No. R. 853 of 6 August 2020, No. R. 1063 of 07 October 2020 and No. 131 of 02 November 2020.

Amendment of paragraph 6 of the Directions

- 2. Paragraph 6 of the Directions is hereby amended by-
- (a) the substitution for subparagraph (I)(vii)(ii) of the following subparagraph:
 - "(ii) i. Temporary disability grants which lapsed on 31 December 2020 and in January 2021 or are due to lapse in February 2021 or 31 March 2021 for beneficiaries who are aged 59 and will turn 60 on or before 31 December 2021, must continue to be paid until the beneficiary attains the age of 60 years.
 - ii. A temporary disability grant paid with a grant-in-aid which lapsed at the end of December 2020, and a temporary disability grant which is paid together with a grant-in-aid which lapsed in January 2021 or is due to lapse in February 2021 or in March 2021, must continue to be paid for a period of three months after SASSA has scheduled an appointment for reassessment or until 31 March 2022, whichever occurs first.
 - iii. A temporary disability grant payable through procurators and administrators which lapsed at the end of December 2020 and a temporary disability grant which is paid through a procurator or administrator which lapsed in January 2021 or is due to lapse in February 2021 or in March 2021, must continue to be paid for a period of three months after SASSA has scheduled an appointment for reassessment or until 31 March 2022, whichever occurs first.".
- (b) the substitution for subparagraph (r) of the following subparagraph:

"Adoption services

(r) Adoption social workers in private practice whose accreditation to render adoption services expired on 30 April 2020 but had their services interrupted by the declaration of the national state of disaster and could not finalise their cases, may continue to finalise their adoption cases until 31 August 2021, and their accreditation is deemed to be extended for this purpose.".

Extension of social relief grant

 A special COVID-19 Social Relief of Distress of R350 per month referred to in paragraph 6(I)(viii)(cc) of the Directions is hereby extended to 30 April 2021 and must continue to be paid until 30 April 2021.

Commencement

4. These Directions come into effect on the date of publication in the Government Gazette.