

DEPARTMENT OF TRADE, INDUSTRY AND COMPETITION**NOTICE 3779 OF 2026****MERCHANDISE MARKS ACT, 1941 (ACT 17 OF 1941)****INVITATION FOR THE PUBLIC TO COMMENT ON THE PERMISSION TO USE THE SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL FLAG BY RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN AGRO, ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY (NPO).**

I, Mpho Parks Tau, the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition hereby advertise for public comment in terms of section 15(1) of the Merchandise Marks Act 17 of 1941, to permit the use of the South African National Flag as depicted in **Annexure 1**. The permission to use the South African National Flag as per Annexure 1 will be perpetual and absolute in nature, provided the correct requirements for use of the National Flag are maintained. The Applicant is Rural Development in Agro, Arts and Technology (NPO). The design and integrity of the South African National Flag must be maintained in its correct proportions.

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed use of the South African National Flag as per Annexure 1 within 30 calendar days from the date of publication of this Notice to the:

Director-General, Department of Trade, Industry, and Competition
For Attention: Ms Lekgala Morwamohube
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Or Hand deliver to:

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Mr Mpho Parks Tau, MP
Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition
Date: 26/01/2026

Annexure 1

