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FILMS AND PUBLICATIONS ACT, 1996 (ACT NO. 65 OF 1996)

NOTICE IN TERMS OF SECTION 18(4) OF THE FILMS AND PUBLICATIONS ACT, 1996

I, Makhosazana Lindhorst, the Acting Chief Executive Officer of the Film and Publication Board (FPB) hereby publishes in terms of section 18(4) of the *Films and Publications Act*, the classification decision together with reasons for the decision, of a Film classified as a ***Refused Classification***.

Adv. Makhosazana Lindhorst
Acting Chief Executive Officer
Film and Publication Board

The Film and Publication Board has, in terms of section 18(3)(a)(ii) of the *Films and Publications Act*, classified the film listed below as a **REFUSED CLASSIFICATION – PROHIBITED FROM CREATION, POSSESSION AND DISTRIBUTION.**

DATE OF THE DECISION	TITLE	DISTRIBUTOR
19/12/2025	“HEBREWS TO NEGROES: WAKE UP BLACK AMERICA”	THE NEGRONETWORK, INC.

Refused Classification: In terms of clause 4.2(10) of the FPB Classification Guidelines, (*Government Gazette No. 46649 of 1 July 2022*), a film will be classified under the category of refused classification under the following circumstances:

(a) Any content that –

(i) Contains child pornography, propaganda for war or incites imminent violence;

or

(ii) advocates hatred based on any identifiable group characteristic, and that constitutes incitement to cause harm, must be refused classification and be reported to the Chief Executive Officer to be published the Gazette unless, judged within context, the film is a *bona fide* documentary, is of scientific, dramatic or artistic merit or is on a matter of public interest, in which event the film shall be classified with reference to the guidelines relating to the protection of children from exposure to disturbing, harmful or age inappropriate materials.

b) Where a film has been classified as a “*refused classification*”, the Chief Executive Officer shall cause that classification decision to be published by notice in the Gazette, together with the reasons for the decision.

Reasons for the decision:

The Film was found to advocate hatred based on an identifiable group characteristic and constitutes incitement to cause harm on the following basis:

- a. Holocaust Denial: The film's assertion that the Holocaust is a "falsehood" is a direct advocacy of hatred based on identifiable group characteristics, serving to trivialize immense suffering and perpetuate antisemitism.
- b. Dehumanization: The explicit text comparing Jews to "parasites among the nations" is an egregious act of dehumanization. This language has a well-documented history of justifying discrimination, violence, and genocide, clearly demonstrating hatred.
- c. Promotion of Antisemitic Views: The film posits "five major falsehoods" aimed at concealing Jewish "nature" and protecting their "status and power," inherently promoting antisemitic tropes.
- d. Prejudicial Language: The frequent and unmitigated use of racial slurs such as "*Negro*," "*Kaffir*," and "*Coolie*" constitutes hate speech.
- e. The content, as presented, incites hatred and spreads dangerous misinformation, failing to provide the objective and informed perspective required for a bona fide documentary. Acknowledging that a bona fide documentary must adhere to historical accuracy, by denying the Holocaust, the film fundamentally fails this criterion.

Prohibitions, offences and penalties:

Any person who knowingly broadcasts, distributes, exhibits in public, offers for sale or hire or advertises for exhibition, sale or hire such a film which the Board has classified as a "*refused classification*", shall be guilty of an offence and liable, upon conviction, to a fine not exceeding R500 000.00 or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding five years or to both a fine and such imprisonment in terms of *section 24A(2)(b) of the Films and Publications Act*.
