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DEPARTMENT OF TRADE, INDUSTRY AND COMPETITION

NOTICE 4248 OF 2026

DEPARTMENT OF TRADE, INDUSTRY AND COMPETITION

MERCHANDISE MARKS ACT, 1941 (ACT 17 OF 1941)

FINAL NOTICE ON THE PERMISSION TO USE THE SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL FLAG BY BIG 5 COOKWARE (PTY) LTD

I, Mpho Parks Tau, the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition, in terms of section 15(1) of the Merchandise Marks Act 17 of 1941, permits the use of the South African National Flag by Big 5 Cookware (Pty) Ltd as depicted in **Annexure 1** under the following conditions:

a) The South African National Flag must be used exclusively on locally manufactured aluminium cookware products, and the design and integrity of the National Flag must be maintained in its correct proportions.
b) The permission to use the National Flag will be perpetual and absolute in nature, provided the correct requirements for its use are maintained.
c) This approval does not extend to stainless steel cookware products. The use of the South African National Flag on stainless steel cookware products or for anything else is expressly prohibited under this approval and shall require a separate application and consideration should such use be sought in future.
d) Big 5 Cookware (Pty) Ltd shall submit an annual compliance report to the Department of Trade, Industry and Competition, confirming that the National Flag has been used exclusively for the purposes authorised by this notice and that no unauthorised use has occurred.
e) (e) The approval shall cease to apply to any products that are imported, substantially manufactured outside the Republic, or otherwise fail to meet the local manufacturing requirements.

Mr Mpho Parks Tau, MP

Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition

Date: 28/10/2026

Annexure 1

