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DEPARTMENT OF BASIC EDUCATION

NO. 1316 **28 OCTOBER 2016**

NATIONAL EDUCATION POLICY ACT, 1996 (ACT NO. 27 OF 1996)

CALL FOR WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS FROM STAKEHOLDER BODIES AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE DRAFT POLICY FOR THE PROVISION OF QUALITY EDUCATION AND SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN WITH SEVERE TO PROFOUND INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY

1. I, Angelina Matsie Motshekga, Minister of Basic Education, after consultation with the Council of Education Ministers and in terms of sections 3(4) (b), (i), (l), (o) and (p) of the National Education Policy Act, 1996 (No. 27 of 1996) read in conjunction with section 4 (1) and (2), section 5 (1), (2), (6), (8) and (9) and section 12 (4) and (5) of the South African Schools Act, 1996 (Act No. 84 of 1996), hereby give my intention to approve the draft Policy for the Provision of Quality Education and Support for Children with Severe to Profound Intellectual Disability. The Policy includes a Learning Programme. I therefore invite stakeholder bodies and members of the public to comment on the draft Policy and Learning Programme.

AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS

2.1 The draft Policy for the Provision of Quality Education and Support for Children with Severe to Profound Intellectual Disability and the Learning Programme are obtainable on the following Departmental websites:

http://www.education.gov.za
http://www.thutong.doe.gov.za

2.2 Hard copies of the draft Policy for the Provision of Quality Education and Support for Children with Severe to Profound Intellectual Disability

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and the Learning Programme are also obtainable from the address supplied in paragraph 5 of this Notice.

SUBMISSIONS

3. It would greatly assist the Department of Basic Education if all submissions could be prepared under the headings listed in the draft Policy for the Provision of Quality Education and Support for Children with Severe to Profound Intellectual Disability. If you do not wish to comment under a particular heading, please indicate "No comment".

CLOSING DATE

4. The closing date for the receipt of comments is set as 21 days after publication of this Notice.

ADDRESS FOR SUBMISSIONS

5. Please send or deliver your submission to:

The Deputy Director-General: Curriculum Policy, Support and Monitoring, Department of Basic Education for attention: Mrs M Schoeman, 222 Struben Street, Pretoria 0002, fax 012 323 7749 or e-mail: schoeman.m@dbe.gov.za

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MINISTER OF BASIC EDUCATION
DATE: 25.10.2016