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GOVERNMENT NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF BASIC EDUCATION

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GENERAL AND FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING QUALITY ASSURANCE ACT, 2001 (ACT NO. 58 OF 2001)

APPROVAL OF UMALUSI'S POLICY AND CRITERIA FOR THE QUALITY ASSURANCE, ACCREDITATION AND MONITORING OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS AND PRIVATE ASSESSMENT BODIES

1. I, Angelina Matsie Motshekga, Minister of Basic Education, in terms of *sections 17A(2)(a), 23(1) and 24 of the General and Further Education and Training Quality Assurance Act, 2001 (Act No. 58 of 2001)*, and after consultation with the Council of Education Ministers, hereby approve Umalusi, the Council for Quality Assurance in General and Further Education and Training's policy for quality assurance of independent schools and the accreditation and monitoring of private assessment bodies.

BACKGROUND

2. In terms of *sections 23(1) of the General and Further Education and Training Quality Assurance Act, 2001 (Act No. 58 of 2001)*, ("the GENFETQA Act") the Umalusi Council must develop policy and criteria for quality assurance of private education institutions.
3. Umalusi must also in terms of *section 17A(2)(a) of the GENFETQA Act*, develop policy for the accreditation of assessment bodies other than departments of education and must submit it to the Minister for approval.

AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS

4. The policy document, *Policy for Quality Assurance of Independent Schools and the Accreditation and Monitoring of Private Assessment Bodies*, is obtainable on the Umalusi website: www.umalusi.org.za

5. Hard copies of the draft policy document are also obtainable from:
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