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### DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS REFUGEES ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 130 OF 1998)

# PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT TO ASYLUM SEEKERS IN THE REFUGEE BACKLOG PROJECT

## GRACE PERIOD FOR ALL ASYLUM SEEKERS IN THE REFUGEE BACKLOG PROJECT: 1 SEPTEMBER 2007 - 31 OCTOBER 2007

The Department of Home Affairs requests all Asylum Seekers who lodged applications for asylum in terms of the Refugee Act, 1998 (Act No. 130 of 1998) dating back from April 1998 to July 2005, whose applications are still pending and who are not in possession of valid asylum seeker's permits, to report to their nearest Home Affairs' Refugee Backlog Project Office mentioned below between 1 September 2007 to 31 October 2007.

Should the concerned Asylum Seekers not come forward during this period, their applications will be deemed as abandoned and SUbsequently be dealt with in terms of the Immigration Act, 2002 (Act No. 13 of 2002).

The addresses of the respective Refugee Backlog Project Offices are as follows:

| Eastern Cape: | KIC Building<br>NO.5 Sidon Street<br>North End<br>Port Elizabeth |
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| Western Cape: | Sturrock Building  |

Western Cape: Sturrock Building No. 18 Montreal Drive Airport Industria Nyanga Cape Town

| Gauteng:               | Diensprodukte Building<br>NO.1 Planet Avenue<br>Crown Mines<br>Johannesburg |
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| KwaZulu-Natal:         | No. 137 Moore Road<br>Glenwood<br>Durban                                    |
| Any enquiries should b | e directed to <b>Ms Thobeka Thamage</b>                                     |

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