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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION****No. 960****11 October 2007****NATIONAL EDUCATION POLICY ACT, 1996 (ACT NO. 27 OF 1996)****NATIONAL POLICY REGARDING FURTHER EDUCATION AND  
TRAINING PROGRAMMES: APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE  
PROGRAMME AND PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS OF THE ENDORSED  
NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE**

I, Grace Naledi Mandisa Pandor, Minister of Education, hereby, in terms of *Sections 3(4)(l) and 7 of the National Education Policy Act, 1996 (Act No. 27 of 1996)*, approve the following amendments and additions to *paragraphs 10(1)(a)-(f) and 11 of the policy document, An addendum to the policy document, the National Senior Certificate: A qualification at Level 4 on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF), regarding learners with special needs* respectively:

*Paragraph 10(1) (a)-(f):* "An endorsed National Senior Certificate shall be issued to a candidate who experiences special needs who has achieved 30% in five subjects, one of which is an official language on at least First Additional Language level, provided that a complete portfolio of evidence in the school-based assessment component is submitted in the subject failed."

*Paragraph 11(2):* "Provisos as contemplated in *paragraph 10* of the policy document, the *National Senior Certificate: A qualification at Level 4 on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF)*, will also be applicable to the learners enrolling for the National Senior Certificate with Endorsement for learners with special needs."

**GNM PANDOR, MP  
MINISTER OF EDUCATION.**

No. 961

11 October 2007

THE SOUTH AFRICAN SCHOOLS ACT, 1996 (ACT NO. 84 OF 1996) AS  
AMENDED

NATIONAL POLICY REGARDING FURTHER EDUCATION AND  
TRAINING PROGRAMMES: APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE  
PROGRAMME AND PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS OF THE ENDORSED  
NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE

I, Grace Naledi Mandisa Pandor, Minister of Education, hereby, in terms of *section 6(A)* of the *South African Schools Act, 1996 (Act. No. 84 of 1996)*, approve amendments and additions to *paragraphs 10(1)(a)-(f)* and 11 of the policy document, *An addendum to the policy document, the National Senior Certificate: A qualification at Level 4 on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF), regarding learners with special needs* respectively. The amendments and additions are listed in the **Schedule** at Annexure A.

The amendments contained in the Schedule reflect: (a) the minimum outcomes and standards; and (b) the processes and procedures for the assessment of learner achievement as contained in the policy document, *An addendum to the policy document, the National Senior Certificate: A qualification at Level 4 on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF), regarding learners with special needs*.

The amendments and additions are applicable to both public and independent schools.

GNM PANDOR, MP  
MINISTER OF EDUCATION

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**ANNEXURE A****SCHEDULE**

*Paragraph 10(1) (a)-(f):* “An endorsed National Senior Certificate shall be issued to a candidate who experiences special needs who has achieved 30% in five subjects, one of which is an official language on at least First Additional Language level, provided that a complete portfolio of evidence in the school-based assessment component is submitted in the subject failed.”

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