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DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND LAND REFORM

PUBLICATION OF EXPLANATORY SUMMARY OF THE SPATIAL PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT BILL, 2012

The Minister of Rural Development and Land Reform intends introducing the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Bill, 2012 ("the Bill"), in the National Council of Provinces shortly. The explanatory summary of the Bill is hereby published in accordance with Rule 186(1)(b) of the Rules of the National Council of Provinces.

The Bill seeks to provide a framework for spatial planning and land use management in the Republic; to specify the relationship between the spatial planning and the land use management system and other kinds of planning; to provide for the inclusive, developmental, equitable, and efficient spatial planning at the different spheres of the Government; to provide a framework for the monitoring, co-ordination and review of the spatial planning and land use management system; to allow for policies, principles, norms and standards for spatial development planning and land use management; to address past spatial and regulatory imbalances; to promote greater consistency and uniformity in the application procedures and decision-making by authorities responsible for land use decisions and development applications; to provide for the establishment, functions and operations of Municipal Planning Tribunals; to provide for the facilitation and enforcement of land use and development measures; and to provide for matters connected therewith.

Any person/s wishing to submit representations or comments in connection with the Bill are invited to do so by no later than 16h00 on **25 MAY 2012**. Comments received after this time may not be considered. All representations and comments must be submitted in writing to the CHIEF DIRECTOR: SPATIAL PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT, DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND LAND REFORM:

By post to:

**The Chief Director: Spatial Planning & Information
Department of Rural Development & Land Reform
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By e-mail to:

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By hand-delivery to:

**The Department of Rural Development & Land Reform
Attention: Chief Director: Spatial Planning & Information
Room 605, Capitol Towers
224 Church Street
Pretoria CBD
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A copy of the Bill can be found on the website of the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform at "<http://www.ruraldevelopment.gov.za>" and the website of Parliamentary Monitoring Group at "<http://www.pmg.org.za>" and may, after introduction into Parliament, also be obtained from:

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