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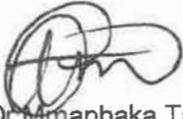
DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2002 (ACT NO. 57 OF 2002)**CLASSIFICATION OF A NATIONAL DISASTER IN TERMS OF SECTION 23 OF THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT (ACT NO. 57 OF 2002): STRONG WINDS AND FLOODS DUE TO TROPICAL STORM ELOISE AND SUMMER SEASONAL RAINS**

I, Dr Mmaphaka Tau, in my capacity as Head of the National Disaster Management Centre, after assessing the magnitude and severity of the damage in various provinces caused by strong winds and floods due to tropical storm Eloise and summer seasonal rains, and after having considered the information and recommendations received from the respective Provincial Disaster Management Centres and national sector departments in the National Joint Flood Coordinating Committee, hereby give notice that, in terms of Section 23(1)(b) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No. 57 of 2002), I classified the occurrence as a national disaster.

Emanating from the classification of this occurrence as a national disaster, in terms of section 26 read with section 23(8) of the Act, the primary responsibility to coordinate and manage this disaster, in terms of existing legislation and contingency arrangements, is designated to the national executive.

I hereby, in terms of Section 15(2)(aA) of the Act, read with section 23(8), call upon all relevant organs of state to further strengthen and support the existing structures to implement contingency arrangements and ensure that measures are put in place to enable the national executive to effectively deal with the effects of this disaster.

Also emanating from this classification, and the assistance provided by organs of state in terms of section 23(8) and sections 15(2)(aA) of the Act, all affected organs of state are required to prepare and submit reports, as required by the National Disaster Management Centre and further as outlined in section 24(4) - (8) of the Act, to the respective intergovernmental forums as listed therein if a national state of disaster is declared in terms of section 27(1) of the Act.



Dr Mmaphaka Tau

Head: National Disaster Management Centre

Date: 11/02/2021