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REVIEW OF EXCLUSIVITY PERIOD OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN POSTOFFICE SOC LTD IN TERMS OF SECTION 16 (8) OF THE POSTAL SERVICES ACT, 1998 (Act 124 of 1998)

The Minister of Communications and Digital Technologies intends to review, in terms of Section 16(8) of the Postal Services Act, 1998 (Act No 124 of 1998), the period during which no person other than the South African Post Office SoC Ltd may provide a reserved postal service and wishes to consult the public in this regard.

In terms of schedule 1 of the Postal Services Act, the reserved postal services include:-

- (a) Delivery of all letters, postcards, printed matter, small parcels and other postal articles weighing up to 1kg;
- (b) Issuing of postage stamps; and
- (c) Provision of roadside collection and address boxes; and
- (d) Provision of retail outlets at which customers can access reserved services.

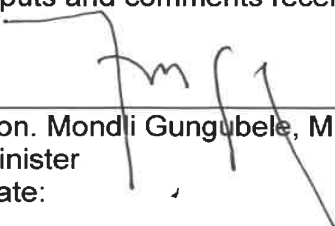
The legislative framework and the licence require SAPO to provide such services universally to every citizen in the country to ensure that all citizens have equal access to a basic postal service that is reasonably accessible regardless of physical location, at a uniform postage rate and at an affordable price.

Interested persons are invited to provide written comments within 30 calendar days of the publication, addressed to:-

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