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At a meeting this morning, Cabinet confirmed the appointment of Ms Maria Ramos as the new Director-General of Finance.

The appointment, which is effective immediately, was made after a fully transparent process which involved advertising, short-listing and subsequent interviewing by a panel of Cabinet Ministers.

Ms Ramos is currently in Swaziland attending Southern African Development Community meetings. The Minister of Finance, Mr Trevor Manuel, left directly after the Cabinet meeting for Swaziland, where he will attend the SADC Finance Ministers meeting in Mbabane tomorrow.

CURRICULUM VITAE MARIA RAMOS

1959 Born in Lisbon, Portugal

QUALIFICATIONS

1992 MSc Economics, University of London 1987 BCom Honours (Economics), University of Witwatersrand 1983 Institute of Bankers Diploma

CAREER

1978-1989 Various positions at First National Bank 1989-1991 Lecturer in Economics at University of South Africa 1991-1994 Lecturer in Economics at University of Witwatersrand 1990-1994 Economist in African National Congress Department of Economic Planning 1994-1995 Research Officer, London School of Economics 1995 (May) Deputy Director General: Financial Planning - Department of Finance.

AWARDS

1991-1992 British Council Scholarship 1991 Fulbright Scholarship (not taken up) 1989 Nedbank/Old Mutual Budget Competition 1988 Senbank Prize for Honours Dissertation 1983 Barclays Graduate Scholarship

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

1993 Constitutional negotiations - Finance chapters 1994 Transitional Executive Council, Sub-Council on Finance 1989-1995 Various publications and papers presented locally and internationally.

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