

PRESS RELEASE FROM THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE

The Finance Ministry is to extend the deadline for comments on new tender regulations intended to boost businesses owned and run by blacks and women.

The regulations, published in terms of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (No. 5 of 2000), were published in the national and provincial Government Gazettes for comment on June 5. The Act gives effect to the Constitutional requirement that state procurement policy provide for categories of preference for those who have been subjected to unfair discrimination in the past.

The deadline for comments has been extended from June 30, 2000 to July 31, 2000.

Anyone with comments can write to the Acting Director-General, Department of State Expenditure, Private Bag X 845, Pretoria 0001

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