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RE: UMALUSI STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF THE PHASING OUT OF THE NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE (COLLEGES) PROGRAMMES – NATED 190/191

TO: Acting/Principals [*Distribution of circular by office of Deputy Director-General: TVET*]

Management and Lecturing staff at Colleges [*Distribution of circular by College Principal*]

CC: Acting/Regional Managers [*Distribution of circular by office of Deputy Director-General: TVET*]

Chief Directorate: National Examinations and Assessment [*Distribution of circular by office of Deputy Director-General: TVET*]

Dear Colleagues

Kindly note the below statement as issued by Umalusi.

Umalusi is the Quality Council for general and further education and training responsible for the quality assurance of qualifications registered on the General and Further Education and Training Qualifications Sub-Framework (GFETQSF) of the National Qualifications Framework (NQF). Umalusi further ensures that qualifications on its Sub-Framework are current and relevant to meet the needs of the sector and its beneficiaries. The DHET is the Assessment body responsible for the assessment of qualifications pertaining to its sector, particularly those that are offered at public Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) colleges and private colleges, as

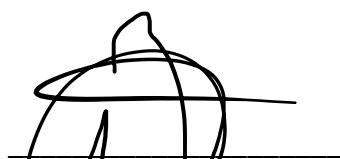
well as universities. Both the DHET and Umalusi work together in managing qualifications on NQF level 1 - 4 for the TVET sector.

*Umalusi, after consultation with the Department of Higher Education and Training, gazetted the phasing out of the NSC (Colleges) (NATED 191) qualification through **Government Gazette No. 42380** of April 2019. With this gazette, the registration of the two Business languages (Sake Afrikaans and Business English) that were used in combination with N3 Engineering subjects to obtain a Technical Matric N3 National Senior Certificate for Colleges at NQF Level 4, was terminated effectively as of 31 December 2020. No new enrolments were considered beyond this date. The repeal of the policy for the NSC (colleges) (NATED 191) also meant that the certification of the National Technical Certificate N3, in combination with Senior Certificate subjects for the issuing of a Senior certificate awarded in terms of A résumé of instructional programmes in schools, Report 550 (2005/09), has also been terminated.*

The cessation of these qualifications from future registration remains in force. Both the DHET and Umalusi have blocked and disabled their systems for enrolling the subjects for further intake and registration in the qualifications.

Prospective learners who might need assistance in enrolling for an alternative qualification at equivalent NQF Level 4 should approach the Department of Higher Education and Training for available options.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'SZ Zungu', written over a horizontal line.

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