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PROMOTION & PROTECTION OF THE RIGHTS OF CULTURE, RELIGIOUS & LINGUISTIC COMMUNITIES (SECTION 31 OF 1996)

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ATT: MS PHUMLA NYAMAZA

VERBAL AND WRITTEN SUBMISSION ON THE PREVENTION OF AND TREATMENT FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE BILL

Dear Madam.

The abovementioned Institution is hereby informing your Department that we will delegate Mr Michael Kotsokoane to represent us in the Public Hearing scheduled from the 13 - 16 May 2008, but due to financial problems we can only attend the 14 May 2008 (Day two of the Hearing).

WRITTEN SUBMISSION

The Prevention of and Treatment for Substance Abuse Bill, aims in short to: Combat substance abuse, establish services and programmes for Prevention of Substance Abuse, provide for early Intervention Services by various stakeholders, provide for establishment of Community Based Services, provide for establishment of Public Halfway Houses and Registration of Private Halfway Houses, provide for monitoring and assessment of Treatment Centres and Halfway Houses, provide for dealing with Children Addicted to Substance, establish programmes for aftercare and Reintergration Services

COMMENT

The abovementioned Bill (Prevention of and Treatment for Substance Abuse Bill) can be implemented, but forming a strong working relationship between Department of Social Development, Department of Health, Department of Safety and Security and Community Based Organisation representing Community in that particular area and it must not be the responsibility of Local Government Municipal Ward Councillors, to avoid political influence and unfair discrimination of political affiliates. But Promoting Employment Equity in terms of Act of Parliament

After all the efforts taken by the Cluster in terms of the Transformation System, Department of Justice and Constitutional Development, will take the decision for Prevention of and Treatment for Substance Abuse Bill, for our people to access better health for all.

Community Based Organization will always be monitoring and assessing Treatment Centres and Halfway Houses for the project to be a success, but members of the Community Based Organization involved in the Project, must be compensated or paid to fight against Poverty and Job Creation for the unemployed people within our Local

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Hoping this will be considered

Yours faithfully

PULENG KOBO SECRETARY - GENERAL MICHAEL KOTSOKOANE PRESIDENT

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