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Dear Ms Moyo

NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF PERIOD IN TERMS OF SECTION 26 OF THE PROMOTION OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT, 2000 (ACT NO. 2 OF 2000) (PAIA)

Kindly note that your request for information in respect of Norms and Standards for Public School Infrastructure dated 7 February 2019 refers.

In terms of section 25(1) of the PAIA, the Department of Basic Education has 30 days within which to respond to your request.

However, the Department of Basic Education requires an extension of a further 30 days in terms of section 26(1)(a) of the PAIA. The ground that the request is based on is that the request requires consultation with other public bodies being the Provincial Education Departments and the request cannot reasonably be completed within the original period. The Provincial Education Departments are still finalising the information required.

As the Information Officer, I therefore notify you of my decision to extend the response period by 30 days from the due date of the initial response date being 17 March 2019. The new response date will be Tuesday, 16 April 2019.

Further note that, in terms of subsection 26(3) (c) of the PAIA, you may lodge an internal appeal against the extension. In terms of section 75(1) (a), the internal appeal must be lodged in the prescribed form within 60 days. For ease of reference, the prescribed form is attached.

Should you wish to lodge an internal appeal, kindly submit the appeal to the relevant authority, whose details are as follows:

Mrs AM Motshekga, MP
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Yours sincerely


MR HM MWELI
DIRECTOR-GENERAL

DATE: 13/03/2019