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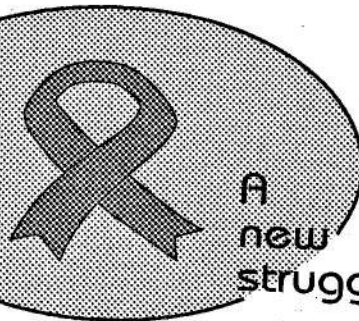
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GENERAL NOTICE**NOTICE 1258 OF 2000****THE COMPETITION COMMISSION****NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF HALL HOLDINGS (PTY) LTD BY NATIONAL TRADING COMPANY (PTY) LTD**

The Competition Commission hereby gives notice, in terms of Rule 26(8)(a)(iii) of the Rules for the Conduct of Proceedings in the Competition Commission, that on 26 January 2000, National Trading Company (Pty) Ltd, a subsidiary of Macsteel Service Centres SA (Pty) Ltd, notified the Competition Commission, in terms of section 13(1) of the Competition Act, No 89 of 1998, of its proposed acquisition of Hall Holdings (Pty) Ltd, trading through Hall and Pickles SA (Pty) Ltd.

In terms of the proposed transaction, National Trading Company (Pty) Ltd will acquire the entire issued share capital of Hall Holdings (Pty) Ltd. Both National Trading Company (Pty) Ltd and Hall and Pickles SA (Pty) Ltd are suppliers of steel.

The Competition Commission is currently assessing and evaluating the transaction in terms of the Competition Act, 89 of 1998. Any person may voluntarily file any document, affidavit, statement of his/her views with respect to the merger, or other relevant information, with the Commission. Enquiries may be addressed to Ms M Ntlha at Private Bag X23, Lynwood Ridge, 0040. Tel No. (012) 482-9027 and Fax No. (012) 482-9121. (Case No. 2000Jan35).