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**DEPARTMENT OF CO-OPERATIVE GOVERNANCE
DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2002 (ACT NO. 57 OF 2002)****CLASSIFICATION OF A PROVINCIAL DISASTER IN TERMS OF SECTION 23 OF
THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT (ACT NO. 57 OF 2002): IMPACT OF THE
GAUTENG PROVINCE FLOODING INCIDENTS**

I, Dr Elias Sithole, in my capacity as the Head of the National Disaster Management Centre, after having deliberated with various organs of state and the Gauteng Provincial Disaster Management Centre, and after assessing the magnitude and severity of the impact of the flooding incidents which caused a devastating impact in various municipalities in the Gauteng Province that resulted in the loss of a life, damage to property, infrastructure and the environment, and after having considered the information and recommendations received from the Gauteng Provincial Disaster Management Centre, hereby give notice that on 23 January 2023, in terms of Section 23(1)(b) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No. 57 of 2002), I classified this occurrence as a provincial disaster.

Emanating from the classification of this occurrence as a provincial disaster, in terms of section 40 read with section 23(8) of the Act, the primary responsibility to coordinate and manage this disaster, in terms of existing legislation and contingency arrangements, is designated to the provincial executive.

I hereby, in terms of Section 15(2)(aA) of the Act, read with section 23(8), call upon organs of state to further strengthen support to existing structures to implement contingency arrangements and ensure that measures are put in place to enable the Gauteng Province to effectively deal with the effects of this disaster. Furthermore, all affected organs of state must prepare and submit reports, as required by the National Disaster Management Centre as prescribed in section 24(4) - (8) of the Act.

Be further advised that revocation of the classification will be implemented in line with the schedule attached, here under.

*Elias Sithole***Dr Elias Sithole**

Head: National Disaster Management Centre

23 January 2023

Schedule

<p>The provincial executive dealt with the provincial disaster in terms of existing legislation and contingency arrangements without declaring a provincial state of disaster in terms of section 41(1)</p>	<p>The classification is revoked by the Head: National Disaster Management Centre when the occurrence can no longer be regarded as a disaster in terms of the Act upon reassessment by the NDMC</p>
<p>The provincial executive dealt with the provincial disaster in terms of existing legislation and contingency arrangements as augmented by regulations and/ or directions following the declaration of a provincial state of a disaster in terms of section 41(2)</p>	<p>The classification of a provincial disaster is automatically revoked when the provincial state of disaster is terminated or lapses in terms of section 41(5) of the Act</p>

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