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NOTICE OF PUBLICATION FOR GENERAL INFORMATION**STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES IN TERMS OF SECTION 26 OF THE CYBERCRIMES ACT, NO 19 OF 2020 FOR THE INVESTIGATION, SEARCH, ACCESS OR SEIZURE OF ARTICLES**

1. Notice is hereby given that the Standard Operating Procedures for the Investigation, Search, Access or Seizure of Articles in terms of section 26 of the Cybercrimes Act, 2020 (Act No.19 of 2020), after having complied with the consultation processes prescribed by section 26 (1) of the Act, are posted on the website of the South African Police Service at:

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(a) the South African Police Service; or

(b) any other person or agency who or which is authorised in terms of the provisions of any other law to investigate any offence in terms of any law,

in the investigation of any offence or suspected offence in terms of Part 1 or Part II of Chapter 2 or any other offence or suspected offence which may be committed by means of, or facilitated through the use of, an article.

(2) The Standard Operating Procedures referred to in subsection (1) and any amendment thereto must be published in the Gazette.”

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