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ELECTORAL COMMISSION

No. R.....

20 May 1999

AMENDMENT OF THE ELECTION REGULATIONS

The Electoral Commission has in terms of section 100 of the Electoral Act, 1998 (Act No. 73 of 1998), made the regulations set out in the Schedule.

SCHEDULE**Definitions**

1. In these regulations "the Regulations" means the regulations published in Government Notice No. R. 478 of 14 April 1999.

Amendment of regulation 15 of the Regulations

2. Regulation 15 of the Regulations is hereby substituted by the following regulation:

"15. (1) A person who finds that he or she will, as a result of employment, business or study commitments or a close family or personal trauma, be unavoidably and unforeseeably absent from the voting district in which he or she is registered as a voter, may apply to vote elsewhere by submitting an application in a form substantially similar to Appendix 4 to any local electoral officer at his or her office or any presiding officer at the office of that officer, which must be at or as near as possible to the voting station for that voting district, during the hours on the date or dates stated in the election timetable.

(2) In the case of a unit of the South African National Defence Force deployed on special duty in a remote area, and identified specifically by the Commission for this purpose, the application for a declaration vote by a member of a unit so deployed, may be submitted to any local electoral officer or presiding officer, by an officer of the

unit recognised for this purpose by the chief electoral officer and in such a case that officer represents the applicant for the purposes of regulation 16.

(3) The local electoral officer or the presiding officer must keep a record of such applications in a form substantially similar to Appendix 5.”.

Amendment of regulation 16 of the Regulations

3. Regulation 16 of the Regulations is hereby substituted by the following regulation:

“16. (1) The local electoral officer, the presiding officer or a voting officer must in the presence of the applicant consider the application and if he or she finds that –

- (a) the applicant is registered as a voter; and
- (b) the applicant will be unavoidably and unforeseeably absent from the voting district in which he or she is registered, due to circumstances mentioned in regulation 15,

approve the application and if not, reject the application.

(2) If the application is rejected the applicant must be handed a notification of rejection in writing in a form substantially similar to Appendix 6.

(3) If the application is approved and –

- (a) the applicant produces an identity document; and
- (b) the local electoral officer, presiding officer or voting officer is satisfied that the applicant is the person described in that identity document,

the applicant must be handed a certificate on a form substantially similar to Appendix 7, and if the application was submitted and considered by the presiding officer of the voting district where the applicant's name appears on the voters' roll, the name of the applicant on the voters' roll must be marked with the letters DV.

(4) If an application was approved by a local electoral officer or, a presiding officer other than the presiding officer referred to in subregulation (3), that officer must immediately inform the presiding officer of the voting station where the applicant is registered on the voters' roll of this fact, either directly or via the local electoral officer of that area, and that presiding officer so informed must without delay mark the applicant's name on the voters' roll with the letters DV.

(5) No further certificate, or copy of a certificate or substitute for a certificate must be issued to the same person.”.

Short title

4. These regulations are called the **First Amendment to the Election Regulations, 1999.**

NOTICE – OF 1999

ELECTORAL COMMISSION

ELECTION TIMETABLE

The Electoral Commission hereby gives notice that it has, in terms of section 20(2) of the Electoral Act, 1998 (Act No. 73 of 1998), amended the election timetable published in Notice 619 of 1999 in Government Gazette No. 20019 of 26 April 1999, by substituting the Part under the heading Dates set in terms of the Election Regulations, 1999, with the Annexure set out hereunder.

ANNEXURE

Dates set in terms of the Election Regulations, 1999

1.	Regulations 6(1)(i) and 7(1): Application to local electoral officer for special votes by reason of physical infirmity or disability or pregnancy: To vote in or outside voting district where registered	Not later than 26 May 1999
2.	Regulation 6(1)(ii): Application to presiding officer for special votes by reason of physical infirmity or disability or pregnancy: Only to vote in voting district where registered	26 May 1999 (Between 07h00 and 21h00) and 31 May 1999 (Between 07h00 and 18h00)
3.	Regulations 6(5) and 7(5): Dates on which those given special votes by reason of physical infirmity or disability or pregnancy will be visited and handed their ballot papers	31 May 1999 and 1 June 1999
4.	Regulations 8(1) and 11(1): Date on and hours during which those in government service abroad or members of the household of such persons abroad and those registered on the voters' roll but absent from the Republic on 2 June 1999 as a result of employment, business or study commitments, can apply for and cast special votes at South African missions abroad	26 May 1999 (Between 07h00 and 21h00)

5.	Regulations 9(1) and 10(1): Dates on and hours during which election officers and security services members deployed for the elections as well as those registered on the voters' roll, but absent from the Republic on 2 June 1999 as a result of employment, business or study commitments can apply for and cast special votes in the districts where they are registered	26 May 1999 (Between 07h00 and 21h00) 31 May 1999 and 1 June 1999 (Between 07h00 and 18h00)
6.	Regulation 15(1): Dates on and hours during which those who, as a result of employment, business or study commitments or close family or personal trauma, will be unavoidably and unforeseeably absent from their voting districts on 2 June 1999, will be able to apply to any presiding officer for a certificate to vote elsewhere by declaration vote	26 May 1999 (Between 07h00 and 21h00) 31 May 1999 (Between 07h00 and 18h00)
7.	Regulation 15(1): Dates on which those who, as a result of employment, business or study commitments or close family or personal trauma, will be unavoidably and unforeseeably absent from their voting districts on 2 June 1999, will be able to apply to any local electoral officer for a certificate to vote elsewhere by declaration vote	By not later than 17h00 on 31 May 1999