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NEWS STATEMENT BY THE NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL MARKETING COUNCIL (NAMC)**REQUEST FOR THE CONTINUATION OF STATUTORY MEASURES: REGISTRATION, RECORDS AND RETURNS IN RESPECT OF OILSEEDS PRODUCTS, MAIZE PRODUCTS AND WHEATEN PRODUCTS, IN TERMS OF THE MARKETING OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS ACT, ACT NO 47 OF 1996****INVITATION TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED GROUPS IN THE GRAINS AND OILSEEDS INDUSTRIES TO FORWARD COMMENTS TO THE NAMC**

The National Agricultural Marketing Council (NAMC) received a request from the South African Grain Information Service (SAGIS), on behalf of the directly affected groups in the grains and oilseeds industries, for the continuation of statutory measures, and in particular:

- The registration and the keeping of information and submitting of monthly returns to SAGIS in respect of oilseeds products manufactured, imported and/or exported (*as published in Government Gazette No 40296 of 23 September 2016 and No 40347 of 14 October 2016*); and
- the registration and the keeping of information and submitting monthly returns in respect of maize products and wheaten products manufactured, processed, imported and/or exported (*as published in Government Gazette No 41855 of 14 August 2018*).

To enable SAGIS to continue its functions, and to simplify the administration of these statutory measures by requesting the same lapsing date, SAGIS requested ministerial approval that the relevant statutory measures that will expire on 23 September 2020, 14 October 2020 and 14 November 2022, be extended for a further number of years to all lapse on 30 April 2024.

The NAMC took cognisance that the proposed continuation of the statutory measures as requested by SAGIS is consistent with the objectives of the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act, 1996 (Act no 47 of 1996), as amended. The request is being investigated by the NAMC and recommendations in this regard will be made to the Minister of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development.

Directly affected groups in the grains and oilseeds industries are kindly requested to submit any comments regarding support or objections relating to the proposed continuation of statutory measures to the NAMC in writing (fax 012 341 1911 or e-mail to lizettem@namc.co.za) before or on 3 April 2020, to enable the Council to finalise its recommendation to the Minister in this regard.

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