

## HOME AFFAIRS REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

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Dear Director-General Makhode

## MINISTERIAL WAIVER FOR GENERAL WORK VISAS ADJUDICATED IN TERMS OF THE POINTS BASED SYSTEM.

- 1. Your submission in the above regard refers.
- 2. Section 31(2)(c) of the Immigration Act empowers me to, upon application, under terms and conditions determined by me, for good cause, to waive any prescribed requirement or form.
- 3. Having engaged with the submission for the request to minister to approve a waiver of the certificate of the Department of Employment and Labour for general work visas and a partial waiver for SAQA evaluation certificate for general work adjudicated in terms of the Points Based System (PBS), I have decided to approve the application.
- 4. The requirements contained in regulation 18(3)(a) are waived for general work visas adjudicated in terms of the Points Based System (PBS).
- 5. I partially waive the requirements contained in regulation 18(3)(b) for general work visa applications as follows: "Proof of qualifications evaluated by SAQA and translated by a sworn translator into one of the official languages of the Republic"- Provided that in a case where the outcome of an evaluation by SAQA is not yet available at the time of application, proof of an application submitted to SAQA for evaluation will result in the general work visa being issued for 12 months. In the case of submission of SAQA evaluation certificate on application, the visa will be issued for the period applicable to the relevant visa.
- 6. This waiver is merely permission granted to a prospective applicant to submit an application for a visa and is not granting any status.

Yours sincerely

DR. L.A. SCHREIBER, MP MINISTER OF HOME, AFFAIRS DATE: 8 October 2024