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DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING**NO. 553****08 JUNE 2017****HIGHER EDUCATION ACT, 1997 (ACT NO. 101 OF 1997)****CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES BOARD**

I, Bonginkosi Emmanuel Nzimande, MP, Minister of Higher Education and Training, in accordance with the Higher Education Act, 1997 (Act No. 101 of 1997) and the Regulations for the Establishment of a National Institute for the Humanities and Social Sciences , hereby request –

- (a) the public;
- (b) national organisations representing academics;
- (c) university management staff;
- (d) appropriate government departments;
- (e) research and science councils;
- (f) others with interest in the humanities and social sciences; and
- (g) relevant non-governmental organisations,

to submit to me, before **30 June 2017** the names of persons who by virtue of their knowledge and experience, may be considered for appointment as members of the National Institute for the Humanities and Social Sciences Board to fill vacancies on the Board for the unexpired portion of the vacating members. The term of office of the members of the current NIHSS Board will expire on 24 March 2018.

The National Institute for the Humanities and Social Sciences (NIHSS) was established to enhance scholarships, research and ethical practice in the fields of the Human and Social Sciences within and through the existing and future South African universities, the higher education system and within South African society in general.

The members of the NIHSS Board are appointed by the Minister who must ensure that the membership taken as a whole-

- is broadly representative of the higher education sector;

- has knowledge and understanding of, and is committed to higher education;
- appreciates the role of the humanities and social sciences in contributing to social and economic development in the country; and
- has racial, gender and disability representivity.

Nominations accompanied by the *curriculum vitae* of the nominee and a *letter of consent* indicating the availability of the nominee to serve on the NIHSS Board if appointed, should be forwarded to :

The Director-General: Higher Education and Training

(for the attention of Ms P Whittle, Director: University Management Support)

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