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DATE	15 FEBRUARY 2026

TO:

THE SOUTH AFRICAN MUSLIM UMMAH

URGENT!!!

Asalamualykum;

RE:	PROPOSED ELECTRONIC DEATH CERTIFICATE BEFORE BURIAL
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1. Please take note of a proposed change by the Department of Home Affairs which will require an **electronic death certificate to be issued before any burial may take place.**
2. This proposal has serious implications for Muslim communities, as Islamic law requires burial without delay.
3. Given the inefficiencies, system failures, and limited operating hours of Home Affairs, the proposal will likely result in forced delays, distress to families, and infringements of constitutionally protected religious and cultural rights.
4. Public participation is currently open. To assist the public, we have created a link to a standard objection template which can be completed and submitted with ease. You will just need to add your name and ID number to the template.

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5. We strongly encourage ALL to lodge an objection before the closing date.
6. Link to objection template: <https://tinyurl.com/3y4bfxzx>

NOTE: THE DEADLINE TO OBJECT IS TONIGHT!!!
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Yours Faithfully



PER: Mr B. Paruk
(Director)

******Transmitted on behalf of The Muslim Lawyers Association******