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MEDIA STATEMENT: FINAL RESPONSE DOCUMENTS: 2016 TAX BILLS

Following the completion of the parliamentary process, National Treasury and SARS today publish the final Response Document, 2016 Rates and Monetary Amounts and Amendment of Revenue Laws Bill, 2016 Rates and Monetary Amounts and Amendment of Revenue Laws (Administration) Bill as well as the 2016 Taxation Laws Amendment Bill (TLAB) and the 2016 Tax Administration Laws Amendment Bill (TALAB), alongside the accompanying Explanatory Memoranda.

The 2016 tax bills give effect to the tax proposals announced in the 2016 Budget Speech and the 2016 Budget Review. The tax amendments are split into two bills due to Constitutional requirements, namely a money bill (section 77 of the Constitution) dealing with charging provisions and an ordinary bill (section 75 of the Constitution) dealing with issues relating to tax administration.

The Final Response Document updates the Draft Response Document to take into account submissions and decisions made following further inputs made by stakeholders and the Standing Committee on Finance during hearings on the 2016 tax bills. The purpose of this Final Response Document is to explain the changes made to the 2016 draft tax bills that have been included in the 2016 final tax bills introduced by the Minister of Finance in the National Assembly on 26 October 2016. It also includes an amendment made after the introduction the bill to the provision relating to the Employment Tax Incentive by removing the proposed cap of R20 million on the incentive amount to be claimed.

The final response document, tax bills and explanatory memoranda containing a comprehensive description of the amendments can be found on the National Treasury (www.treasury.gov.za) and SARS (www.sars.gov.za) websites.

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