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APPOINTMENT OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES COUNCIL

Call for nomination of the new South African Geographical Names Council was opened by the Minister in July 2010 and closed in August 2010. Letters requesting the Provincial MECs, Minister of Land Affairs and Rural Development, Minister of Cooperative Governance, Minister of Communication, Minister of Transport, Minister of Water Affairs and Forestry, CEO of National Heritage Council and PanSALB to nominate their representatives to the SAGNC for the new term of office were sent for their attention. The adverts for call for nomination on were posted on national newspapers e.g. Sunday Times, City Press, Beeld etc.

The Minister appointed a panel to assist the Chief Directorate: Heritage and the South African Geographical Names Secretariat with the selection. In January 2011 the Panel had its meeting to finalize appointment of Ministerial appointees.

On 17 February 2011 a new South African Geographical Names Council was appointed and the Council in consultation with the Minister appointed Advocate K Sizani as its Chairperson