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## **Interim Comment**

In terms of Section 38 of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

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## NW 12173 PR Prospecting right application in the SCHWEIZER RENEKE, LICHTENBURG, WOLMARANSSTAD, DE LA REYVILLE, NORTH WEST PROVINCE NW 30/5/1/1/2/12012 PR

De Beers Consolidated Mines Proprietary Limited plans to undertake prospecting activities on several properties in the Ngaka Modiri Molema District, Dr Kenneth Kaunda District and Dr Ruth Segomotsi District, North West Province. A Basic Assessment Report has been submitted in support of an Environmental Authorization Application and Prospecting Right Application in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA) and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations 2014 for activities that trigger the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (MPRDA)(As amended). The prospecting right application area will cover 5150.0749 ha and the proposed prospecting activities will include four (4) prospecting boreholes that will impact a total of 2.56 ha. It is noted that the location of the boreholes in not yet known.

The BAR notes that a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) will be conducted prior to the establishment of all prospecting boreholes.

## **Interim Comment**

The pending HIA must assess all types of heritage as defined in the National Heritage Resources Act, Act No 25 of 1999 (NHRA) which includes but is not limited to palaeontological and archaeological resources, built environment, burial grounds and graves, living heritage and cultural landscapes. The HIA must comply with section 38(3) of the NHRA and must be conducted by relevant qualified specialists. The HIA must be submitted to SAHRA before further comments can be issued. No prospecting activities may commence without comments from SAHRA.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

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