

NATIONAL MONUMENTS ACT, No. 28 OF 1969

DECLARATION OF THE HISTORIC CORNISH
PUMP ENGINE COMPLEX AT O'OKIEP

By virtue of the powers vested in me by section 10 (1) of the National Monuments Act, 1969 (Act 28 of 1969), I, Pieter Gerhardus Jacobus Koornhof, Minister of National Education, hereby declare the historic Cornish pump engine complex, consisting of an engine, Cornish pump, mine shaft and furnace, situated at O'Okiep, Cape Province, to be a national monument.

Description

The historic Cornish pump engine complex, consisting of an engine, Cornish pump, mine shaft and furnace, situated on certain piece of abolished quitrent land, situate in the Division of Namaqualand, being the remaining extent of the farm called Brakfontein alias Groot Brak, and measuring as per remaining extent: Three thousand two hundred and twelve (3 212) morgen, four hundred and ninety-seven (497) square roods, one hundred and thirty-two (132) square feet.

Deed of Transfer 9350/1937, dated 3 September 1937 (Paragraph 85).

Historical interest

This unique pump engine, typical of that invented by Thomas Newcomen of Cornwall in 1712, was used to pump water from the O'Okiep mine during the period 1882 to 1929. The pump engine was restored in 1965-1968. 10/2/579.

P. G. J. KOORNHOF, Minister of National Education