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NOTICE FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Parliament of the Kingdom of Eswatini takes this opportunity to notify members of the public, individuals, organizations and stakeholders that the Senate Portfolio Committee of the Ministry of Information, Communications and Technology (ICT) will be conducting public hearings on the **Eswatini National Archives and Records Services Bill, 2020 (Bill No. 25 of 2020)** and the **National Research Council Bill No. 23 of 2020** (objectives outlined below).

1. The Eswatini National Archives and Records Services Bill, 2020 (Bill No. 25 of 2020) - Objectives:

- a) To provide for the acquisition, custody, care, control and management of records and archives;
- b) To provide for the establishment of the Eswatini National Archives and Records Service;
- c) To provide for the establishment of the Eswatini National Archives and Records Advisory Council;
- d) To provide for the repealing of the Archives Act No. 5 of 1971; and
- e) To provide for incidental matters.

2. The National Research Council Bill, 2020 (Bill No. 23 of 2020) – Objectives:

- a) To provide for the coordination and funding of research and innovation in Eswatini as well as the proper governance of the council
- b) To establish the National Research Council
- c) Provide for incidental matters.

Those interested in making submissions are advised to contact the Committee Clerk (Ms. Ntfombiyancengwa Dlamini) via email at ntf.parl@gmail.com . The deadline for registering interest in forwarding submissions is Friday, April 22, 2022 at 16:00.

N.B. Copies of the Bill can be bought at Webster Print (PTY) LTD, Mbabane.

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