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Minister Mokonyane to host Lesotho, Botswana and Namibia Water Ministers

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Water and Sanitation Minister, Ms Nomvula Mokonyane will, on Friday, 09 December 2016, host water Ministers from Lesotho, Botswana and Namibia during Orange-Senqu River Basin Commission (ORASECOM) meeting to be held at Emperors Palace in Kempton Park.

ORASECOM was established in 2000 by the Governments of South Africa, Lesotho, Botswana and Namibia to manage the transboundary water resources of the Orange-Senqu River basin.

This project will benefit a total of 14, 3 million people living in the riparian communities in the basin as well as 5 additional million inhabitants in South Africa located outside the basin but benefitting from its water resource through water transfer schemes. The basin water resources development will improve livelihoods and engender socio-economic growth of the four countries involved in this project.

The meeting will give an update on what has been achieved to date with regards to the goals set out in the Integrated Water Resource Management Plan, which aims to promote sustainable socio-economic growth in the four countries through climate resilient water resources development.

Members of the Media are invited as follows:

Date: Friday, 09 December 2016

Venue: Emperors Palace, Kempton Park

Time : 09:30

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