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**Tourism Minister Welcomes Court Decision**

The Minister of Tourism, Patricia de Lille has welcomed the decision by the Gauteng division of the High Court of South Africa. The court struck off the urgent court roll the application for reinstatement by dissolved board of South African Tourism.

“I have been vindicated. I have always known that I was acting within the prescripts of the law and followed the law to the latter,” says Minister de Lille.

The Minister has gazetted the process for nominations of eligible candidates to fulfil the functions of the South African Tourism board.

“I will then take it through the process of interviews and shortlisting. Where after I’ll take my recommendations to cabinet for consideration,” adds Minister de Lille.

The nomination process will close on 5 December 2025 at 16:30.

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