

## INVITATION TO COMMENT ON THE CYBERCRIMES AND CYBERSECURITY

### BILL: DEADLINE FOR COMMENT 30 NOVEMBER 2015

1. The draft Cybercrimes and Cybersecurity Bill (hereinafter referred to as “the Bill”) aims to deal with various aspects relating to cybercrime and cybersecurity and to that extent the Bill -

- \* creates offences and prescribes penalties;
- \* further regulates jurisdiction;
- \* further regulates the powers to investigate, search and gain access to or seize items;
- \* further regulates aspects of international cooperation in respect of the investigation of cybercrime;
- \* provides for the establishment of a 24/7 point of contact;
- \* provides for the establishment of various structures to deal with cyber security;
- \* regulates the identification and declaration of National Critical Information Infrastructures and provides for measures to protect National Critical Information Infrastructures;
- \* further regulates aspects relating to evidence;
- \* imposes obligations on electronic communications service providers regarding aspects which may impact on cybersecurity;
- \* provides that the President may enter into agreements with foreign States to promote cybersecurity;
- \* repeals and amends certain laws; and
- \* provides for matters connected therewith.

2. The Bill and a note, explaining the proposed provisions of the Bill, are available for download on the website of the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development, at the following address: <http://www.justice.gov.za>

3. Any person wishing to comment on the Bill is invited to submit written comments to the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development on or before

30 November 2015. Comments should be marked for the attention of **S J Robbertse** and -

(a) if they are forwarded by post, be addressed to -

**The Department of Justice and Constitutional Development**

**Private Bag X81**

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(b) if delivered by hand, be delivered at -

**The Department of Justice and Constitutional Development**

**Salu Building**

**316 Thabo Sehume Street (Corner of Thabo Sehume and Francis Baard Streets)**

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(c) if they are delivered by E-mail, they can be sent to:  
**cybercrimesbill@justice.gov.za;** or

(d) if it is faxed, they can be faxed to **012 406 4632.**

4. For further information, please contact S J Robbertse at **012 406 4770.**

5. Any person or entity, who wants to meet with the Department to discuss any aspect of the Bill must make the necessary arrangements with the Department. Any meeting with regard to the Bill will take place at the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development, unless expressly agreed to otherwise by the Department.