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The Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (COGTA), Dr Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma, designated under section 3 of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No. 57 of 2002) has in terms of section 27(2) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 issued and gazetted a set of amendments of the directions to address, prevent and combat the spread of COVID-19 in South Africa.

These set of Directions are called the Directions on the once-off movement of persons and the transportation of goods for purposes of relocation. The once off movement will commence on 07 May 2020.

The directions will allow individuals and business to move premises within, and across provincial, metropolitan or district boundaries during the period of Alert level 4.

Citizens who were not able to do so due to the lockdown, will be allowed to move houses with goods. This includes new lease agreements which were entered into before or during the lockdown period; or in instances where the property transfer occurred before the lockdown period. These directions are limited to a change in place of residence, including the transport of goods to a new place of residence, within the Republic.

Anyone who wishes to take advantage of this period to move, with their goods within, or across provincial, metropolitan or district boundaries, must obtain a permit from the station commander of a police station or a person designated by him or her.

All removals must be performed in compliance with the COVID-19 regulations and the relevant Directions issued by the Minister of Transport.

A copy of the gazetted directions can be accessed at the following link: <https://bit.ly/3ceioip>

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