

## LEGAL NOTICE NO. 78 OF 1982

**Agricultural Marketing (Import of Maize and Maize Meal)**

In exercise of the powers vested in me by section 4 of the Agricultural Marketing Act 1967, I,

Peete Nkuebe Peete

Minister of Agriculture and Marketing hereby make the following regulations:—

1. These regulations may be cited as the Agricultural Marketing (Import of Maize and Maize Meal) Regulations 1982. Citation
2. (i) All persons wishing to obtain supplies of maize and maize meal from sources other than within Lesotho shall do so only when in possession of permit. "Supplies of Maize and Maize Meal"
- (ii) All persons wishing to obtain a permit for the importation of maize and maize meal products shall do so by application to the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Agriculture and Marketing.
- (iii) All permits issued will be valid only in the districts of issue, and the imported Maize and Maize Meal shall be destined for sale in the particular districts of issue of permits. All imports shall come in through border posts as specified in each permits."
3. Degerminated Maize Meal shall not be imported into Lesotho. Degerminated Maize Meal
4. (i) Illegally imported degerminated maize meal may be confiscated by a "Customs officer" in accordance with Customs and Excise Act 1982. Penalties
- (ii) Any maize and maize meal which have been illegally imported may be seized by an officer charged with carrying out inspectorate work in traders shops and wholesaler's stores.
- (iii) A person who fails to comply with this regulation shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of M100 and 3 months imprisonment.
5. (i) All degerminated maize meal confiscated under section 6(1) and (ii) of this regulations shall be given to a Government Institution or unit rearing animals to be fed. Disposal of confiscated Maize and Maize products
- (ii) Any other maize meal that is not degerminated, and Raw Maize confiscated under section 6. (i) and (ii) of this regulations may be given to a Government Institution, like government schools and hospitals.

Revocation            6.    Legal Notice No. 5 of 1975 is revoked.

Peete Nkuebe Peete,  
*Minister of Agriculture and Marketing.*