It is hereby notified that the President has assented to the following Act, which is hereby published for general information:–

GENERAL EXPLANATORY NOTE:

Words in bold type in square brackets indicate omissions from existing enactments.

Words underlined with a solid line indicate insertions in existing enactments.

(English text signed by the President.)
(As assented to 23 June 2004.)

ACT

To amend the Electoral Commission Act, 1996, so as to authorise the President to extend the term of office of a member of the Commission; and to provide for matters connected therewith.

BE IT ENACTED by the Parliament of the Republic of South Africa, as follows:

Amendment of section 7 of Act 51 of 1996

1. Section 7 of the Electoral Commission Act, 1996, is hereby amended by the substitution for subsection (1) of the following subsection:

“(1) The term of office of a member of the Commission is seven years unless—
(a) he or she resigns or dies at an earlier date; or
(b) he or she is removed from office in terms of subsection (3); or
(c) the President, on the recommendation of the National Assembly, extends the member’s term of office for a specified period.”

Short title

2. This Act is called the Electoral Commission Amendment Act, 2004.