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Dear Colleague

The Council on Higher Education would like to formally announce that the HEQSF-alignment project has been completed and is closed. This task has been a world-first of this size and shape, and has included the development of a custom online system and has resulted in a wealth of data that still remains to be mined for the purposes of further research and policy development.

During the period August 2011 – August 2015, the Accreditation Directorate of the CHE received and processed a total of 10131 applications in Category A (5100), Category B (1278) and Category C (3753). Processing these applications included checklisting, evaluation and review of each application by peer-evaluators. Further, deferrals and representations for Category B were also reviewed and outcomes recommended and approved by the HEQC. In addition, the Directorate has managed a specialised evaluation of all Doctoral qualifications, has reviewed qualification titles and abbreviations, and has co-ordinated a number of ad-hoc processes including the alignment of the MBA qualifications with the Professional Masters qualification type.

The Directorate would like to extend its appreciation to the dedicated teams of peer evaluators and reviewers for their tireless commitment to this project. Further, the Directorate would like to thank the Institutions for their co-operation and collaboration in this alignment exercise. Finally, the Directorate would like to thank the South Africa Qualifications Authority (SAQA) and the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) for their continued support and engagement.

Institutions can access their final list of approved qualifications by logging-on to www.heqsf-online.che.ac.za and selecting **Offerings per Institution** in the **Reports bar**.

Any queries in this regard can be sent to heqsfonline@che.ac.za.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Maidoo'.

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