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18 February 2020

**The Honourable Speaker**

North West Provincial Legislature

**Hon. S Dantjie**

**URGENT!!!!!!!**

**RE: PREMIER MOKGORO'S AUTHORITY TO DELIVER SOPA ON 21 FEBRUARY 2020**

We refer to the fact that the Office of the Premier has been placed under administration in terms of Section 100(1)(b) in 2018 and subsequently wish to express our reservations that Premier Mokgoro is authorised to deliver the State of the Province Address (SOPA) this coming Friday.

In terms of Section 100(1)(b), the National Government assumes responsibility for the relevant obligations in the province. The executive powers of the Premier have therefore been taken away, including the responsibility to summon the Legislature to an extra ordinary sitting as per Section 127(d) of the Constitution for the purposes of delivering his SOPA.

We hereby seek your assurance that you have indeed sought advice and are confident that the Premier is the relevant person to deliver the SOPA. The reason for this request is that we would not want to participate in an unlawful sitting.

It has come out strongly in our previous engagements with some Members of the Executive Councils whose departments are placed under Section 100(1)(b) that they do not have any powers and merely serve as ceremonial heads, while the real powers reside with the Ministers responsible.

If this indeed is the case, it will mean that Premier Mokgoro delivering the State of the Province Address to the people of the North West will be a waste of time, as he has no powers to effect any of the promises he would be making.

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We further request you to respond by no later than tomorrow, 19 February 2020, 12h00 as SOPA is planned for Friday, 21 February 2020, so that we also get the opportunity to explore our legal avenues.

Yours faithfully,

Hon. W. Rabotapi

DA North West Caucus Leader

Received by:	<u>Rinky</u>
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