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Mrs Jessie Duarte
Secretary General (Acting)
African National Congress
Luthuli House
Johannesburg

cc. Minister of Finance, Tito Mboweni and Director General, National Treasury, Dondo Mogajane

Dear Mrs Duarte

In a reply to a DA parliamentary question, the Minister of Finance, Tito Mboweni, confirmed that the Director General in the Treasury, Dondo Mogajane, attended the National Executive Committee (NEC) meeting of the ANC on 23 and 24 January 2021. I attach my question and the Minister's reply, for your reference.

I note the Minister's claim that the DG attended in his "private capacity". The Minister has resorted to this formulation because, I believe, he knows that it is not appropriate for senior civil servants, who are subject to the Public Service Act, to attend the NEC meeting of the ANC.

I do not for one minute believe that the DG attended as a private citizen. He would not be invited or allowed to attend did he not hold the position in government that he does. I will be submitting a separate application under the Promotion of Access to Information Act, to obtain minutes, notes or recordings of anything Mr Mogajane said at the meeting. As he is a public official, this is a matter of public interest.

Secondly, I write to ask about the ANC's protocol for who may attend your NEC meetings in their "private" capacities, if they are not members of the NEC. In that regard, I would be delighted to attend your next NEC meeting in my private capacity, to make some remarks on the topic of "economic policy". Please let me know if you are amenable to me doing so, but since there is no difference between Mr Mogajane and I in our "private capacity", I presume you will have no objection.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,

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