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From: bongumusa@gmail.com
To: martin.sithole@webmail.co.za
The Ministerial Representative
KZN COGTA
Pietermaritzburg
3201

Dear Mr Sithole,

Re: Appointment of General Assistants in Msunduzi Municipality

1. I write this letter on behalf of the Democratic Alliance (DA) Caucus in Msunduzi Municipality.
2. Firstly, I would like to congratulate on your recent appointment as the Administrator / MR to Msunduzi Municipality. The DA would like to place it on record that we welcome your appointment and the extension of the intervention by KZN COGTA and we are looking forward to working with you.
3. Early this year 2022, Msunduzi Municipality advertised vacancies for "General Assistants" Reference Number "**MSU/GA/01/2022**" and the said applications for the posts closed on the 14th of February 2022 at 15H30. (Copy of the advert attached)
4. Applicants from all walks of life came to municipal offices in thousands to drop their documents for the said vacancies.
5. Fast forward to last week Monday, 02 May 2022, where we as DA Councillors started to receive calls from members of public asking us to consider their names for the vacancies they had applied for. We were told that other Councillors from the ANC are submitting the names of their preferred candidates.
6. The DA then called a Special Caucus Meeting to ascertain the veracity of these allegations. In this meeting the majority of our caucus had been approached by community members about this. The DA Reps in Corporate Services Portfolio Committee informed us that no report of these appointments have been made.
7. Last week on Thursday, 05 May 2022, there were people that were called to Harry Gwala Stadium and/or Athletics Stadium who are rumoured to have been appointed and they are in the process of medicals this week before signing of contracts.
8. The individuals that are in the process of being appointed were all referred by either a Ward or PR Councillors in our municipality. It is believed that some Councillors were asked to bring a certain number of



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people to fill these vacancies. Involvement of Councillors in this process is concerning.

9. Mr Sithole, what I have mentioned is something that is known throughout the City mostly by those who applied and have asked us to fight for a fair and just appointment process.
10. With the above-mentioned statements;
 - (a) Please acknowledge receipt of this correspondence.
 - (b) Please urgently investigate these allegations.
 - (c) Please put the process of these appointments on hold until the investigation is concluded and the DA would gladly participate and assist in the investigation.
 - (d) Your urgent response on the steps you will take on this matter as the process of appointment is unfolding will be highly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,
Cllr Bongumusa Nhlabathi
DA Chief Whip: Msunduzi Municipality

THIS DOCUMENT HAS BEEN SENT ELECTRONICALLY AND IS THEREFORE UNSIGNED.