



5 May 2022

Ms N N Mapisa-Nqakula, MP
Speaker of the National Assembly
Parliament of the Republic of South Africa
CAPE TOWN
8001

Dear Madam Speaker,

**REQUEST FOR COPIES OF LETTER AND LEGAL ADVICE RELATING TO
PARLIAMENT'S PROCESSING OF PART 3 OF THE ZONDO COMMISSION'S REPORT**

I am writing to you to request that you furnish me with a copy of the letter, which the President of the Republic, Mr M C Ramaphosa, sent to you on or around 16 March 2022, to table Part 3 of the Zondo Commission Report in the National Assembly (NA), as announced in ATC 42-2022 on 22 March 2022.

Furthermore, I would appreciate it if you would furnish me with a copy of the legal advice regarding the processing of this part of the Report, which you have indicated that you had received during this morning's meeting of the NA Programme Committee.

I would like to reiterate my position that I firmly believe that there is no need for the NA to wait until President Ramaphosa tables the final Report in the NA before we start to put mechanisms in place to process and respond appropriately to the Report. Given the nature of the separation of powers in the Republic, the implementation plan in response to the Report, which the Commission has given President Ramaphosa a deadline of four months from receipt of the final Report to table in Parliament, will mostly relate to responses to issues affecting Executive (in)action.

As President Ramaphosa has also correctly stated in his letter, Parliament should be at the forefront of dealing with the issues identified by the Report pertaining to Parliament's function in relation to state capture, corruption and fraud committed in the public sector.

A number of issues pertaining to potential lapses in Parliament's oversight function, and a number of former and current Members of Parliament involved in committing and/or aiding acts of state capture, corruption and fraud have been identified in Part 3 of the Report. This is why President Ramaphosa has already tabled this part of the Report in the NA, and reminded us that Parliament will need to engage in its own processes to deal with the recommendations that affect us directly.

I am fully aware of and appreciate the work that the Legal Services and the NA Table are undertaking to provide you with advice on the way forward relating to the processing of the final Report. In the interim, however, it would be greatly appreciated if you could furnish me with copies of President Ramaphosa's letter and the legal advice you have received on the

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processing of Part 3 of the Report, so that I may make further proposals to the Chief Whip's Forum on the processing of particularly Part 3 of the Report.

I look forward to your favourable response.

Yours faithfully,



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