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Dear National Police Commissioner

**RE: EXPLANATION ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE THEFT AT THE PRESIDENT'S PHALA PHALA FARM**

In light of the recent allegations made against the President by Mr Arthur Fraser, in which he alleges that, in the wake of a theft at his Phala Phala farm, the President sent the head of his VIP protection unit, Major-General Wally Rhooode, to travel to Namibia in order to conduct a secret investigation and/or interrogation, into those who were allegedly involved in the burglary.

It has now come to light that this trip to Namibia was not an authorised SAPS investigation as no case had ever been opened with SAPS. There is also a suspicion that despite no formal or official investigation taking place, the trip taken by Major-General Rhooode may have been on taxpayer money.

As you would appreciate, the accusations made against the President and his protection unit are most serious and concerning, it is therefore our request that you urgently furnish us with a written explanation as to why Major-General Rhooode was sent to Namibia despite no SAPS case being opened, why a case had not been opened despite top officials being aware of the incident, and lastly, what was the reason for the cover up of the theft and for the alleged pay offs.

We look forward to receiving your positive response in this regard.

Your sincerely

**John Steenhuisen MP**  
**Leader of the Official Opposition**  
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