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Honourable Ian Cameron (MP) Chairperson of the Portfolio Committee on Police PO Box 15 Cape Town 8000 Republic of South Africa Email: <u>icameron@parliament.gov.za</u> <u>bmbengo@parliament.gov.za</u>

Dear Chairperson,

We hereby urgently request that you take immediate action to solicit the appearance of senior management from the South African Police Service (SAPS) before the Portfolio Committee to address the escalating crisis of sexual violence within law enforcement. This issue has become deeply concerning, with numerous reports from the Independent Police Investigative Directorate (IPID) indicating a disturbing increase in incidents of sexual violence perpetrated by members of the police force.

These reports highlight not only the severity of the problem but also the urgent need for accountability, systemic reform, and concrete steps to address the culture of impunity that allows such behavior to persist. The gravity of the situation demands that SAPS Senior Management be held directly accountable before the committee, to provide clarity on the steps being taken to address these allegations, to restore public trust in the force, and to ensure that perpetrators are held fully accountable.

It is crucial that this matter be treated with the utmost urgency and transparency to protect the safety and dignity of all citizens and restore the integrity of law enforcement institutions.

Your feedback and assistance relating to this matter as soon as possible is highly appreciated.

Kind regards,

Hon. Lisa Schickerling MP DA Deputy Spokesperson on Police