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RE: SOUTH AFRICAN LANGUAGE PRACTITIONERS COUNCIL BILL [B14-2013]

Dear Mr. Ajabulile Mtiya With regards our telephone discussion this day on the above we refer;

The Tamil Federation of Gauteng represents a broad constituent in Gauteng, Mpumalanga and North West Province which has a vested interest in the languages for our country with specific reference to the "Thamil Language"

The TFG and all its affiliates believes that it has the experts within the Tamil Community who are able to provide strategic thinking and guidance on the South African Language Practitioners Council.

It is rather sad that to note that the Tamil Community is been denied this great opportunity to forward experts in the field of Languages the opportunity to serve on this structure.

It would be appreciated if your offices could explain in writing how you engage with stakeholders more specifically faith based organisations.

Due to this information only received last night we are making a humble request to extend the deadline for submissions on this very important issue which has bearing to all communities in South Africa including minorities

We wait for your favourable response.

Thanking You Nadas Pillay

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