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The Chairperson: Hon B.L Mashile MP
Powers and Privileges Committee (PPC)
Parliament of South Africa
Cape Town

Dear Hon. Mashile,

PROCESS AND PROCEDURE: POWERS AND PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE

After due conference, the opposition political party representatives serving on the committee have concluded, inter alia, that:

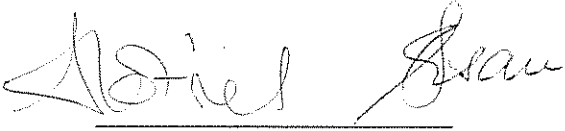
1. The PPC has to date not been appraised of and considered the individual charges against each of the accused EFF members and why these charges have been brought in each case.
2. The PPC has not yet been appraised of and considered the full list of witnesses it intends to call before the committee.
3. The refusal to deal with the points made in the opening submission by the EFF, which impact directly on the proceedings is procedurally incorrect. The matters raised "*in limine*" in this submission should have been considered and disposed of before the commencement of proceedings.

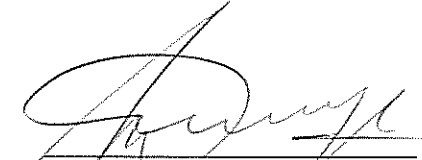
We therefore wish to place on record our unease with the continuation of the work of the committee in the absence of any resolution of these matters. We remain concerned that the process and its findings could well be jeopardised by the failure to properly deal with these matters. We wish to repeat our request that we obtain proper legal opinion on these matters in order to ensure that the administrative justice and procedural fairness provisions referred to in sect 12(3)(a) of the Powers , Privileges and Immunities of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2004 are effected.


We wish to advise further that unless due consideration is given to these concerns and that they are disposed of satisfactorily, we shall have no choice but to reconsider our options in this regard.


We await your urgent reply.

Yours faithfully,


Democratic Alliance


Inkatha Freedom Party


Economic Freedom Fighters


United Democratic Movement