

JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

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Mr D L Ximbi, MP Chairperson: Select Committee on Security and Justice Parliament Cape Town 0001

Dear Mr Ximbi

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES (DCS) STATUTORY BODY: APPOINTMENT OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR CORRECTIONAL SERVICES (NCCS) MEMBERS IN TERMS OF SECTION 83(2)(h) OF THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES ACT NO. 111 OF 1998

- 1. My letter dated 11 May 2016 refers.
- 2. Following inputs received from this preliminary consultation process, I reconsidered the proposed candidates and the following three (3) candidates are put forward for further consultation:

2.1 Ms LUZ Rataemane

- Ms Rataemane was originally shortlisted.
- She has an M Phil in Health Psychology from the University of Surrey, Guildford, UK and an MSc in Clinical Psychology from the same institution.
- She is a qualified clinical psychologist and self-employed.
- She was an active member of the NCCS from 2010 2015.
- In view of the priority areas on which the NCCS should focus it is felt that
 due to vast and extensive experience as a clinical psychologist and NCCS
 member she can continue to add value to this Council.
- Ms Rataemane will therefore reinforce the psychological expertise which I feel is particularly critical for the function of the NCCS.

2.2 Rev JP Clayton

- Rev Clayton had been considered a strong candidate under the Category NGO's involved in Correctional Systems.
- He is an ex-offender and currently the Executive Director of Hope Prison Ministry.
- He is actively involved in Restorative Justice and Victim Offender Dialogue.

• The fact that he was previously incarcerated and has been a law abiding citizen since 1991 he will bring a meaningful perspective to engagements on the value of rehabilitation and restorative justice.

2.3 Mr M Nkopo

- He has a Law Degree from Humboldt University in Berlin, Germany and an LLB from Thames University
- He is likely to bring an International Law perspective and has a specific interest in the welfare of prisoners from foreign countries
- Mr M Nkopo is being recommended for consideration under the category Experts in Community Justice System
- 3. The three candidates are replacing the candidates below:

3.1 Adv L T Nevondwe

 Although highly qualified, it seems that Adv Nevondwe is over committed, serving on a number of boards and councils which are believed may compromise his commitment to the work of the NCCS.

3.2 Prof A E Hesselink

 I have taken into consideration that Prof Hesselink is highly qualified and that she was previously a member of the Department of Correctional Services however there is representation in the field of Criminology currently in the proposed candidate for the NCCS.

3.3 Mr N Gatya

 Mr Gatya was primarily considered in view of his experience in Correctional Services; however there are two senior Correctional Services members serving on the NCCS who are nominated in terms of Section 83(2)(d).

In view of the above, attached is an updated list of the final candidates proposed for consultation with the committee. (Annexure A)

Yours sincerely,

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ADV T M MASUTHA (MP)

MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES

DATE: 16/05/2016

ANNEXURE A

REVISED LIST OF PROPOSED CANDIDATES FOR CONSULTATION IN TERMS OF SECTION 83(2)(h) OF THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES ACT NO. 111 OF 1998

- 1. Category: Experts in clinical psychology
 - Mr I L de Klerk
 - Ms T S Monyamane
 - Ms LUZ Rataemane
- 2. Category: Representative of non-governmental organizations working within the field of Correctional Services
 - Adv K A Mahumani
 - Rev J P Clayton
- 3. Category: Academics with expertise in criminal law, criminology, penology or restorative justice
 - Ms A Vilakazi
 - Dr V Chetty
- 4. Category: Experts in community justice systems
 - Mr M Nkopo