**MEDIA STATEMENT**

**SUB-COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE FOR APPOINTING DIRECTOR OF PARLIAMENTARY BUDGET OFFICE CALLS FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS ON SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES**

**Parliament, Thursday, 17 September 2020 –**The sub-committee responsible for appointing the Director of the Parliamentary Budget Office (PBO) is calling for public comments on the candidates shortlisted for the post. The shortlist of suitable candidates for the position was approved by the joint meeting of the Standing and Select Committees on Finance and Appropriations on Friday, 11 September.

The candidates are Mr Dzingai Francis Chapfuwa, Dr Dumisani Joseph Jantjies, Mr Bongani Khumalo, and Professor Daniel Plaatjies. In addition, the shortlisted candidates include the following whose titles were incorrect in the statement released on Friday, 11 September 2020. They are hereby corrected as follows: Ms Lungelwa Kaywood, Dr Seeraj Mohamed, Dr Nelia Orlandi and Dr Jacobus Willem Mostert.

The committee notes that Mr Ian Charles Stuart, who was shortlisted, has since withdrawn his candidacy.

The CVs of the shortlisted candidates are published on the parliamentary website for perusal. The link is as follows: <https://tinyurl.com/y2jjgcr9>.  The committee is calling on everyone who wishes to comment to send written submissions to the committee secretaries, Mr Lubabalo Nodada on lnodada@parliament.gov.za or Ms Estelle Grunewald on egrunewald@parliament.gov.za. The deadline for all submission is Wednesday, 23 September 2020.

**ISSUED BY THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMUNICATION SERVICES ON BEHALF OF THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE FOR APPOINTING THE DIRECTOR OF THE PARLIAMENTARY BUDGET OFFICE, MR SFISO BUTHELEZI.**