**MEDIA STATEMENT**

**COMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT OF PARLIAMENT COMMENDED PARLIAMENT FOR ACHIEVING UNQUALIFIED AUDIT**

**Parliament, Saturday, 27 February 2021** – The Joint Standing Committee on the Financial Management of Parliament was briefed yesterday by the Acting secretary to Parliament and the Auditor-General (AG), on the performance of Parliament for the 2019/2020 financial year.

The committee expressed its happiness with Parliament’s unqualified audit outcome without findings. The Co-Chairperson of the committee, Ms Peace Mabe, said: “The institution was setting a good example for other state institutions.”

Ms Mabe added: “There is no organisation that can thrive without getting its internal controls in order, we are proud that Parliament obtained a clean audit for the 5th consecutive year, we hope other departments can take from you and account for all the monies they receive and achieve clean audits.”

The committee was also pleased that Parliament continues to ensure adequate implementation of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislators Act, and continuous improvement of internal and financial controls.

**ISSUED BY THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMUNICATION SERVICES ON BEHALF OF THE CO-CHAIRPERSON OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT OF PARLIAMENT, MS PEACE MABE.**