**MEDIA STATEMENT**  
             
**SCOPA RESOLVES BY VOTE NOT TO CALL PRESIDENT RAMAPHOSA**  
   
**Parliament, Wednesday, 16 February 2022 –**The Standing Committee on Public Accounts (SCOPA) today met to discuss President Cyril Ramaphosa's response to the allegations related to the misuse of public funds which implicate him.  
   
The committee also received a legal opinion from the Parliamentary Legal Services on parts of the President's response in as far as the State Security Agency is concerned.  
   
After extensive discussions on the matter, the committee voted on the process to follow as it proceeds with the matter. Six members of the committee voted against calling the President to appear before the committee while four members voted for the President to be called to appear before the committee. Therefore, the committee has resolved not to call the President.  
   
The committee will consider the information before it which includes the legal advice and discussions by its members and will meet on Wednesday, 23 February 2022 to outline the process it will follow as it moves forward with this matter.  
   
**ISSUED BY THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMUNICATION SERVICES ON BEHALF OF THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS, MR MKHULEKO HLENGWA.**  
   
For media enquiries, please contact the committee's Media Officer:  
**Name: Ms Faith Ndenze**  
**Parliamentary Communication Services**  
**Tel: 021 403 8062**  
**Cell: 081 377 0686**  
**Email:**[fndenze@parliament.gov.za](mailto:fndenze@parliament.gov.za)