

**PARLIAMENTARY GROUP ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS MEETING****14 MAY 2021****RENAMING OF THE PGIR****PARTY SUBMISSIONS:****African National Congress**

1. Mzansi Committee on International Relations (MCIR)
2. International Relations Advocacy Committee (IRAC)

Democratic Alliance

3. The South African Group for Diplomacy and International Relations (SAGDIR)

➤ *We hereby propose the following name change because it gives a more regal and purposeful name to the committee that cannot be confused for a portfolio committee of Parliament. It has international recognition in its name and the use of South Africa in the name distinguishes us from any other Parliamentary committee that it could be confused with in terms of SADC, PAP or committee of Parliament*

Economic Freedom Fighters

4. Pan African International Relations Task Force

Inkatha Freedom Party / Other

5. The Parliamentary Forum on International Affairs

PROCESS LEADING TO THE PGIR OF 14 MAY 2021:

On the 12 March 2021, the Co-Chairperson of the Parliamentary Group on International Relations met with the Presiding Officers* who agreed to change the name from the Parliamentary Group on International Relations to the International Relations Advocacy Committee on the proviso that the acronym *IRAC* not be used or encouraged.

*The Presiding Officers included the former Speaker of the National Assembly, Ms T Modise, MP.