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REPORT ON THE 9TH G20 PARLIAMENTARY SPEAKERS' SUMMIT (P20) AND PARLIAMENTARY FORUM

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CONTEXTUAL BACKGROUND OF THE 9TH G20 PARLIAMENTARY SPEAKERS' SUMMIT (P20) AND PARLIAMENTARY FORUM

The 9th G20 Parliamentary Speakers Summit (P20) and Parliamentary Forum was held from the 13th-14th October 2023, in New Delhi, India. The overall theme of the 9th G20 Parliamentary Speakers' Summit was: *One Earth, One Family, One Future.* The Delegation from the Parliament of the Republic of South Africa was led by the Hon Speaker of the National Assembly, Hon Ms Nosiviwe Mapisa-Nqakula, MP and the Hon Chairperson of the National Council of Provinces, Hon Mr Amos Masondo, MP. Also, part of the South African Delegation was Hon Ms Tseke, a Member of Parliament in the National Assembly.

The following Parliament Officials supported the South African Delegation during the 9th G20 Parliamentary Speakers' Summit:

- Mr Masibulele Xaso (Secretary to the National Assembly);
- Mr Dumisani Sithole (Division Manager, IRPD);
- Ms Nogolide Nojozi (Advisor to the Speaker);
- Mr Isaac Kekana (Official from the Office of the Chairperson);
- Mr Ian Mundel (Official responsible for Protocol Services in the IRPD);
- Ms Zukiswa Kula (Official from the Office of the Speaker);
- Mr Jukula (Official from the Parliamentary Communication Services);
- Ms Nomawabo Baduza (Official from the Office of the Chairperson); and
- Mr Sthembiso Tembe (Researcher IRPD).

The 9th G20 Parliamentary Speakers' Summit was attended by the Speakers of the G20 National Parliaments. Also in attendance was His Excellency Mr Duarte Pocheco President of the Inter Parliamentary Union and representatives from the Pan African Parliament. In accordance with the overall theme of the 9th G20 Parliamentary Speakers' Summit, the main objective of the summit was to share information on how G20 countries can modernise their lifestyle in order to preserve the environment.

In this regard, the following discussion topics formed an integral part of the programme of the 9th G20 Parliamentary Speakers' Summit:

- Parliamentary Forum on Life (Lifestyle Environment);
- One Earth, One Family, One Future;
- Agenda 2030 for SDGS: Showcasing Achievements, Accelerating Progress;
- Sustainable Energy Transition-Gateway to Green Future;
- Mainstreaming Gender Equality-From Women's Development to Women led Development;
- Transformation in Peoples' Live through Public Digital Platforms;

In accordance with the programme of the 9th G20 Parliamentary Speakers' Summit, the Hon Speaker of the National Assembly participated in the discussion on Parliamentary Forum on Life. The Hon Speaker was also one of the Keynote Speakers on the Third Session Topic: Mainstreaming Gender Equality-From Women's Development to Women led Development.

The Hon Chairperson also participated in the discussion on Parliamentary Forum on Life. In addition to the above, the Chairperson also participated in the First Session discussion topic: One Earth, One Family, One Future and he was one of the Keynote Speakers on the Fourth Session topic: One Future-Transformation in Peoples' Lives through Public Digital Platforms.

Considering that the 9th G20 Parliamentary Speakers' Summit took place in the heat of Israel/Palestine conflict, the Hon Speaker also used her address as a Keynote Speaker to call for the peaceful resolution of the conflict and to affirm South Africa's position of Two State Solution as the lasting solution to the conflict between the two countries.

Of significant importance during the 9TH G20 Parliamentary Speakers' Summit was the adoption of the P20 Joint Statement (attached for ease of reference). In this regard, this report is not going to comprehensively report on everything that was discussed during the Summit as this is contained in the Joint Statement.