



04 January 2022

Dear Chairperson,

EMPLOYMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL DEFENCE FORCE FOR SERVICE IN COOPERATION WITH THE SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE SERVICE

This serves to inform the National Council of Provinces I have authorised the employment of two thousand and seven hundred (2700) members of the South African National Defence Force (SANDF) for a service in cooperation with the South African Police Service for the prevention and combating crime and maintenance preservation of law and order across nine provinces of the Republic of South Africa as part of Operation PROSPER.

This employment is authorised in accordance with the provisions of section 201(2) (a) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996 read with section 19 of the Defence Act, 2002 (Act No 42 of 2002).

The employment of members of the SANDF is for the period from 18 December 2021 to 18 March 2022.

The expenditure expected to be incurred for this employment amounts to R 233 296 240.

I will communicate this report to the Speaker of the National Assembly as well as to the Co-Chairpersons of the Joint Standing Committee on Defence. I kindly request that you bring the contents hereof to the attention of members of the National Council of Provinces.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Cyril Ramaphosa', written over a horizontal line.

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