



23 June 2008.

To: Mr.T.Wakashe (DG)

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Dear Sir,

Re: Follow up Brief on National Arts Council on issues
Tabled before the Committee during the Annual Report
Hearings.

Kindly note that the following is the progress made after the appointment of the NAC Board to date.

Other Matters mentioned by the Auditor General, internal control and non-compliance with legislation.

A. Finance and Corporate Governance Section.

Improve Governance and Compliance within the organization.

- Project and Grant Manual has been developed for the management of grants awarding process.
- 2. Travel policy for council and staff members have been finalized,
- Minutes for approval of funding allocations now correlates with the allocations made.
- The following policies has been introduced and/or amended:-
- 4.1 Fraud Prevention policy and response plan,
- 4.2 Risk and Assessment plan ,
- 4.3 Materiality and significance framework,
- 4.4 Delegation of Authority and ,
- 4.5 Supply Chain Management .
- NAC won the most improved audit report amongst the institutions reporting to DAC.

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B. Human Resource Section.

- 1. The NAC has appointed fulltime the following positions :-
- 1.1 The CEO (Chief Executive Officer), 1ST May 2008
- 1.2 The COO, (Chief Operating Officer), 1st January 2008
- 1.3 Arts Development Officers x 3, 1st January 2008 (Previously temporary staff now employed as full time staff.)
- 1.4 Accountant, 1st February 2008
- Receptionist, 1st January 2008
 (Previously temporary staff now employed as full time staff.)
- ADO (Arts Development Officers) are being set on a training course for writing skills.

C. Research, Administration an IT

- NAC Website has been revamped,
- A new single Application form has been developed for all arts disciplines,
- Research Committee was established to give advice and conduct various research to inform policy for the arts sector,
- A study visit was undertaken to UK and Sweden for developing of a new funding model for the NAC ,
- Provincial Committee established to promote better co-ordination and working relationships with the provinces and
- NAC newsletter to inform the arts sector on various arts matters.

We trust the above Information clarifies the query raised by the Portfolio Committee on Arts and Culture.

Thanking You.

Yours sincerely,

Chief Operating Officer.

Mr. Goodwin Mnisi