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## JUDICIAL COMMISSION OF INQUIRY INTO ALLEGATIONS OF STATE CAPTURE, CORRUPTION AND FRAUD IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR INCLUDING ORGANS OF STATE

21 July 2020

## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

- 1. The Commission will no longer have a sitting tomorrow, 22 July 2020, and, on Thursday, 23 July 2020. This follows a decision taken by the Chairperson of the Commission. Mr Patrick Gillingham was scheduled to appear before the Commission tomorrow and he was served with a notice to appear before the Commission. However, despite the Commission's efforts to obtain an undertaking from Mr Gillingham that he will appear before it tomorrow, he has failed to make contact with the Commission and give the undertaking. It was important for the Commission to obtain such an undertaking because Mr Gillingham was served with a notice of the hearing and not with a summons.
- 2. In the light of this the Chairperson has decided that a summons will have to be served on Mr Gillingham to appear before the Commission on a date to be determined. If a summons, as opposed to a notice, is served on Mr Gillingham, he will be obliged to appear before the Commission on the date that will appear on the summons.
- 3. On Thursday, 23 July 2020, Minister Gwede Mantashe was scheduled to appear before the Commission to give his evidence, be questioned and to cross-examine Mr Agrizzi. The Commission has been advised by Mr Mantashe's lawyers that he is not well and

will be unable to appear before the Commission on Thursday. The Chairperson of the Commission will determine another date for Mr Mantashe's appearance in due course.

## **Issued by the Commission**

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