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STATEMENT OF MS MABEL PATRONELLA ("VYTJIE") MENTOR

I, the undersigned,

MABEL PATRONELLA ("VYTJIE") MENTOR

do hereby state as follows:

1. I am an adult female residing in Cape Town.
2. Except where the contrary is expressly stated or clear from the context, the facts contained in this statement are within my personal knowledge. To the best of my knowledge, they are true and correct. Where I make legal representations, I do so on the advice of my legal representatives, which advice I believe to be correct.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS STATEMENT

3. I make this statement in order to assist the Commission of Inquiry into Allegations of State Capture, Corruption and Fraud in the Public Sector including Organs of State (the Commission), which was established in terms of section 84(2)(f) of the Constitution of the Republic of South

Africa, 1996.

4. The Commission was appointed to conduct investigations into matters of public and national interest concerning allegations of state capture, corruption, and fraud. More specifically, I am advised that paragraph 1.1 of the Terms of Reference mandates the Commission to investigate allegations of impropriety and corruption in the appointment and removal of Cabinet Ministers.¹ This is a subject which I address in my statement.
5. I was the seventh respondent in the North Gauteng High Court proceedings brought by the former President Mr Jacob Gedleyihlekisa Zuma (Mr Zuma) to review and set aside certain paragraphs of the Public Protector's remedial action in her "*State of Capture*" Report (the review).
6. As will become evident below, I was interviewed and co-operated fully with the former Public Prosecutor's investigations into state capture. In my answering affidavit to Mr Zuma's founding affidavit in the review, I provided a synopsis of the facts to which I can directly attest regarding

¹ Paragraph 1.1 of the Terms of Reference provides as follows: The Commission shall inquire into, make findings, report on and make recommendations concerning the following, guided by the Public Protector's state of capture report, the Constitution, relevant legislation, policies, and guidelines, as well as the order of the North Gauteng High Court of 14 December 2017 under case number 9139/2016:-

whether, and to what extent and by whom attempts were made through any form of inducement or for any gain of whatsoever nature to influence members of the National Executive (including Deputy Ministers), office bearers and/or functionaries employed by or office bearers of any state institution or organ of state or directors of the boards of SOE's. In particular, the commission must investigate the veracity of allegations that former Deputy Minister of Finance, Mr Mcebisi Jonas and Ms Mentor were offered Cabinet positions by the Gupta family"

'state capture', and which have now culminated in my providing this statement.

7. In what follows, I provide direct, first-hand evidence that members of the Gupta family were indeed involved in offering me a Ministerial position in exchange for favouring their commercial interests. In addition, that this was done with the knowledge and approval of Mr Zuma.

8. In what follows, I address the following in turn:

- 8.1 My history and involvement with the ANC/UDF;

My China visit in 2010;

- 8.2 The offer made to me by Ajay Gupta that I become Minister of Public Enterprises; and

- 8.3 My disclosure of the offer made to me by Ajay Gupta.

MY HISTORY AND INVOLVEMENT WITH THE ANC/UDF

9. At the beginning of my political career I was an active member of the African National Congress (the ANC) and the United Democratic Front (the UDF). In the 1980s, I held various positions in these organisations at local, regional and provincial levels. I served in the underground as well as political mass-mobilisation activities of both the ANC and UDF.

10. During the 1980s, I also served in the South African Federation of Transvaal Women (FEDTRAW), which was a formation of Women

within the ANC and UDF. I was also an active member of the South African Youth Congress (SAYCO). SAYCO was a South African youth congress, established on the instruction of the ANC, and which was affiliated to the UDF. I served in various leadership positions of SAYCO. This included being the leader at ground level in the Galeshewe Youth Congress (GAYCO) which was a branch of SAYCO. I was also an Executive member at regional/provincial level of the Northern Cape Youth Congress (NOCAYCO).

11. During the 1980s and 1990s I was also a representative of the Northern Cape in the Central Executive Committee (CEC) of the National Education Coordinating Committee (NECC). The mandate of this structure was to organise around matters of education in order to correct the adverse effects of the Apartheid Education system on those who were oppressed by the system.
12. I was also a member of the National Union of South African Students (NUSAS).
13. Shortly after the second democratic local government elections, I was appointed as a councillor at District Municipality level serving on the Mayoral Committee in the Diamandveld Region of the Northern Cape (situated in the Kimberly Region as it was then known). I was responsible for Social Development in the district.
14. In 1999 I became the Deputy Secretary of the ANC in the Francis-Baard Region (Kimberly region according to the ANC demarcation at the time). I led delegates of that region at the ANC Provincial Conference that year.

15. In 2000 I was also appointed to serve as a Public Representative in the South African Nursing Council (which is a Statutory Body) by President Nelson Mandela together with Hon. Manto Tshabalala-Msimang who was the Minister of Health at the time. My main role was to deal with the Professional Conduct of Nurses, to participate in the wholesale review and the re-pegging of all Health Qualifications in the country as well as to bench-mark all health qualifications in line with the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA).
16. In 2002, I became a Member of Parliament for the ANC in the National Assembly.
17. In 2004, I was elected as Chairperson of the Portfolio Committee on Public Enterprises.
18. I was also made an ANC Whip for Discipline in 2004.
19. Very shortly thereafter, I was promoted to become the National Chairperson of the ANC Caucus in Parliament. I held that position from 2004 to 2008. By virtue of that position, I sat on the National Executive Committee (the NEC) of the ANC.
20. In approximately 2008, however, I was removed as National Chairperson of the ANC Caucus. I should mention that shortly after Mr Zuma's appointment as ANC President, I was told that I had to be removed because I was not officially an NEC member, which was allegedly required for the position. This is notwithstanding that I had been appointed to the post without having been elected as a NEC member, which was public knowledge at the time. I accordingly held the position

for just over four years from 2004 – 2008. By the time I was removed from the position I was the longest serving ANC Chair of Caucus in Parliament.

21. In around November 2010, I also ceased being the Chairperson of the Portfolio Committee on Public Enterprises. However, I remained a Member of Parliament. I believe I was removed because I refused to meet with Mr Zuma while in China on his state visit, which I deal with in detail below. I also believe I was removed from this position because I refused to assist in the closure of the SAA-Indian route, which I also address below; and I believe that the reason given for my removal – that it was because of the allegations around Transnet having paid for my visit to China – was simply a ruse and an attempt to discredit me.
22. In or around October 2014, towards the end of the Parliamentary term, I was unable to perform my duties as a Member of Parliament. This was because I was hospitalised due to gruesome injuries sustained under mysterious circumstances which incapacitated me and prevented me from performing my Parliamentary duties.
23. I however remained a Member of Parliament during that time, until the end of the 2014 term.
24. I was therefore a Member of Parliament for twelve years.
25. While serving as a Member of Parliament, I was a Member of various Portfolio Committees including:
 - 25.1 The Portfolio Committee on Public Enterprises;

- 25.2 The Portfolio Committee on Education;
- 25.3 The Portfolio Committee on Public Service and Administration;
- 25.4 The Joint Standing Committee on Intelligence;
- 25.5 The Joint Rules Committee of Parliament;
- 25.6 The National Assembly Rules Committee;
- 25.7 The Private Members Legislative Proposals Committee. This Committee dealt with private member's legislative proposals. The ANC had never considered or accepted proposals that came from opposing parties. I championed for the right of opposition parties to be allowed to propose the review of legislation. This was instrumental in abolishing floor crossing. I supported these causes often in the face of opposition from my own party;
- 25.8 The Portfolio Committee on Justice;
- 25.9 The *ad hoc* Committee on Zuma/Ngcuka (which related to various allegations against former President Mr Zuma). I should add here that I was instrumental in ensuring that the outcome of the Committee's work was not pre-determined. This entailed going against the instructions from Luthuli House to vindicate Mr Zuma and apportion blame to Mr Ngcuka;
- 25.10 The *ad hoc* Committee on the Protection of State Information. It was public knowledge that I denounced the ANC's position of

protecting the State at the expense of citizens' rights to privacy;
and

- 25.11 The Food Security for South Africa Caucus. This was not a Committee. However, I mention it because whilst I was a member of the caucus, I championed the issue of food security versus the use of Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO). I had placed the issue on the agenda of the Caucus rather than allowing it to be dealt with at a Committee level.
- 25.12 I would also like to mention that I used the Caucus platform to fight against sexual harassment of women, including women in Parliament, and was instrumental in instituting disciplinary proceedings against an ANC Chief Whip in Parliament for having sexually harassed a twenty-one-year old woman that was serving as an intern in Parliament at the time and I am happy to report that he lost his position as Chief Whip and his seat in Parliament as a result.
- 25.13 I also used my position as Chair of Caucus and Chair of various committees to advocate for other strategic and important causes such as changes to the Electoral Act, moving from an overly Proportional Representation position to one based more on constituency so that the electorate is more empowered to hold elected politicians accountable.
- 25.14 Another cause which I was involved in was the equitable restoration of pension benefits of the then Spoornet employees since their pension fund was ring-fenced and ceased to grow in

the democratic dispensation.

MY CHINA VISIT IN 2010

26. In or around August 2010, I undertook a trip to China as part of a Presidential State visit to that country. One of the purposes of the visit was to explore solutions to the issue of repeated electric power outages, which had been an ongoing issue for the South African government's power utility, Eskom Holdings SOC Limited (Eskom) since approximately 2008. Eskom reported to the Portfolio Committee of Public Enterprises, of which I was the chair. Thus, we naturally had a keen interest in trying to assist and work with Eskom in dealing with the matter. During our discussions with Eskom as a Committee, they had cited amongst other things the matter of coal and its transportation to them by Transnet as an impeding factor in dealing with electric power shortage. For that reason Transnet also became one of the SOEs that we engaged in dealing with the issues of power shortages.
27. At the time, the entire Portfolio Committee was looking for leads and partnerships, including internationally, that could work with Eskom to help solve the issue of power outages, which was reaching a point of crisis.
28. Around that time I received correspondence from representatives of the State-Owned Enterprises in China inviting me to China. I tabled those letters of invitation before the Portfolio Committee and I informed them that I would undertake a preliminary visit to China, which was to be followed by a visit of the entire Committee. We already had an application for all of us to go to China approved for the following

financial year of 2010/2011. My visit was agreed upon and I accordingly left for China alone as Chairperson of the Committee. I had been to China on a previous occasion, on invitation to deal with the very same issues.

29. Parliament was in recess for August as a result of Women's month and activities incidental thereto, and this created issues for me in terms of making arrangements for traveling to China.
30. Transnet paid for my travel bookings and accommodation. This was because the Eskom Executive leadership and its Board were abroad at that time, also trying to conclude partnerships to address the issues surrounding power outages. The intention was that Transnet would be reimbursed from my Parliamentary travel allocation before the end of that financial year.
31. I was required to fly via Dubai as I was a very late addition to the State visit. When I received my flight details from Transnet, I noticed that my ticket had been booked in First Class on Emirates Airline. When I enquired why this was so, I was informed that most flights were fully booked as there were many groupings from both business and government going to China. I was informed that Transnet was only able to secure me a First Class ticket on Emirates.
32. Once Transnet agreed to pay for my accommodation and travel I made enquiries from the Department of International Relations as to the details of joining the State visit as per my invitation from the Chinese. They explained the process to me and then directed me to seek accreditation with the Department of Trade and Industry as it was that department that

was the Lead-Department in relation to the State Visit.

33. The contact person I was directed to was Iqbal Sharma who was a Deputy Director General (DDG) at Trade and Industry Department at the time.
34. Whilst aboard the flight from South Africa to Dubai, I was approached by Duduzane Zuma ("Duduzane") who was also on the same flight. Duduzane is the son of former President Mr Zuma. He introduced himself to me. This was the first time that I had met him. When Duduzane approached me, he was with an Indian man. He asked if he could introduce me to the Indian man who accompanied him. He may have been accompanied by another Indian man, but I was only introduced to one of them. I said yes to Duduzane's request, and he introduced the Indian man as his "partner". I assumed Duduzane to mean a business partner. As I set out more clearly below, I now know that the Indian man was Mr Rajesh Gupta. I should note at this point that on the flight to Dubai, Rajesh Gupta mentioned to me that "his brother" was a member of the President's "advance team" (the significance of which will be explained below).
35. Duduzane then asked to introduce me to a black man who was seated elsewhere. He referred to this man as his "Chairman". I do not know what he meant by the reference to "Chairman". I assumed Dududzane to mean this in a business sense. The black man who Duduzane introduced me to was Mr Fana Hlongwane.
36. By the time I arrived in China it was already the first day of the State Visit. I was late as my bookings were made at the last minute. On my

arrival in China and on the first day of the State visit, the outdoor opening ceremony proceedings of the visit had begun. I had to skip this as I was required to register and get accredited for the Business meetings as well as for the State Banquet.

37. When I arrived at the Registration Hall, I looked for someone that could assist me as I was late because my booking had been made at the last minute. I spotted the Indian man that Duduzane had introduced me to on the flight.
38. I approached the Indian man to whom I was introduced on the flight (Rajesh Gupta). I requested his assistance with the accreditation process. He directed me to a table where another Indian man was seated, who assisted me with the general accreditation process. After I was assisted with that general accreditation, I was directed to another man, at another table. He told me that this man was responsible for Accreditation for the State Banquet. When I went over to the other man he promptly assisted me with the accreditation and handed me the special tag required for the State Banquet that was to take place later that evening.
39. I recall very distinctly that the Indian men (whom, as I have stated, I now know to be the Gupta brothers), played what appeared to be an oversight role at the meeting that day and they certainly appeared to be in charge of the logistics. The men were also very busy and constantly entered and exited the room in which the proceedings were taking place. I initially thought they were the security detail for the Presidential visit but after seeing how familiar they were with Ministers – talking freely and frequently with them – I became convinced they were not simply the security detail.

40. I began paying attention to the three Indian men in an attempt to place them and their respective roles. Whereas everyone else present wore only one tag around his or her neck, the three Indian men sported two tags each. One of their tags looked like the tag worn by everyone else but their other tag was different. I was unable to identify its purpose. They were also carrying two-way radios and they appeared to be in charge of the logistics for the South African contingent of the State visit.
41. As will become evident below, I subsequently came to learn that these three men were the Gupta brothers; namely Ajay, Atul and Rajesh.
42. After the ceremonial part, we all gathered into one large plenary hall where I spotted about twelve South African Ministers and saw many business people from South Africa. I felt that the Ministers who were present were cold towards me, which I found hurtful and puzzling.
43. At the end of the proceedings, I retreated to my hotel room. There was a State Banquet scheduled for later that evening. Upon my return to my hotel room, I decided against attending the State Banquet. Instead, I decided to stay in and order room service.
44. Whilst in my hotel room, I was contacted by the hotel reception desk, informing me that two Indian men were asking for my room number. I was advised that the men were claiming to be South African and they said they were part of the Presidential State visit.
45. I asked the receptionist to ask the men a few questions on my behalf. One of the Indian men was given the phone by the receptionist in order to speak to me. He introduced himself to me. I heard the word "Gupta".

I deduced that the man was from the Gupta family as those were the only Indian males whom I had encountered that day who appeared to be closely associated with Duduzane.

46. He told me that the President, Mr Jacob Zuma had sent him to my hotel to invite me to meet with him at the Chinese Presidential guesthouse, where he was staying. Since we were speaking on the telephone and not in person, I did not see the man and I am not sure which Gupta brother he was.
47. I asked the man if he worked for the Presidency. He replied that they were part of the "*Presidential delegation*", which he also referred to interchangeably as the President's "*advance team*". I did not understand what he meant by the term "*Presidential delegation*" as it is broad and would comprise many different officials. I therefore asked the man to provide further clarity. He then informed me that he was part of the "*Presidential entourage*".
48. When I asked the man on the telephone how I could possibly agree to be driven by complete strangers at night in a foreign country, he said that he took care of all President Zuma's state visits; that he lead the former President Zuma's "*advance team*" ahead of his State visits, which meant he went ahead of the President to check on security, logistics, etc. This also suggested to me that he was one of the Gupta brothers because Rajesh Gupta had told me on the flight to Dubai that his brother was a member of the President's "*advance team*".
49. I enquired how the man had come to know which hotel I was staying in. The man informed me that he had a background in security and that he

was well connected. I found it disturbing that he knew this because, as far as I was aware, I was staying at a different hotel to other persons that were part of the State Visit who I knew. Transnet had arranged accommodation for me at a different hotel, which was adjacent to the offices of the China Central Television building. I found this very disconcerting.

50. The man repeated that they were waiting to take me to the guesthouse where Mr Jacob Zuma was staying, for a private meeting. He said they would take me to the banquet afterwards. I was concerned for my safety because I did not know the man or how he had obtained my accommodation details. It also seemed strange to me that the former President Zuma would have requested to meet with me privately at night. Another of the reasons why I did not wish to go with the man was because I was wary of being alone at night with Mr Zuma, because I had heard stories about him and women. I consequently declined the meeting and the invitation to take me to the banquet.
51. After I declined to meet with Mr Zuma, the man said that they would contact the President and get back to me. A few minutes later, the man telephoned me again and informed me that Mr Zuma was waiting for me and that he would not leave to go to the banquet until he had met with me. I again declined. The man repeated that the President insisted that I go to meet him. I again declined. The man continued to phone me and his tone became threatening.
52. I asked the man how I could possibly lend myself to being driven by a stranger in a foreign country at night on the basis of what that man was telling me. I was also concerned because I thought it strange that I had

been trying for months to set up a meeting with the president but now suddenly, in a foreign land and at night, the president allegedly wished to see me. He became irritated and told me to stop wasting his time and the time of the President. I feared for my safety with this man trying to bully me into an alleged meeting with the President at night. Even if it was a legitimate invitation or instruction from the President to see him, I was also wary of being alone with the President at night in a foreign country. I had heard many stories about the President and women.

53. I was not prepared to risk my safety so I decided to tell the man for the very last time that I was going nowhere with him and that I was not going to attend the State Banquet.
54. Without saying so in as many words, he appeared to be questioning my refusal to meet with the President. I eventually took the phone off the hook. I found the experience unnerving and troubling.
55. In a state of fright, I temporarily switched off my cell phone too, but after a while and after doing some thinking I switched it on again as I had decided to retrieve the number of the Chinese leader of the SOE's that I was going to meet with the next day on the margins of the State Visit. I told him that something had cropped up that was security related and that necessitated that we hold our meeting at the hotel instead of at the venue of the State Visit.
56. The following day we had a meeting which lasted the entire day at my hotel. By the end of the meeting, I was pleased that I had firm proposals that I could take back to Eskom and to my Committee.

57. I decided to bring forward my return to South Africa. To the best of my recollection I was meant to be in China for four days, but I had concluded my business with those I had to meet in China, and was assured that our agreement would become part of the Broad Agreements that were going to be signed between the hosting Chinese President and Mr Zuma. I was also feeling disheartened by the manner in which I had been treated by the other Ministers on the first day and I wished to go home. In addition, I was feeling particularly concerned for my safety after the call from the man who told me that he wanted to take me to meet with former President Zuma. After being unable to get hold of my secretary, I called the travel agency that Transnet had used to make my bookings and changed my booking to return home ahead of time.
58. Shortly after my return from China I was contacted by a certain journalist from the *Sunday Times*. He asked me questions pertaining to my visit to China as part of the State Visit. I was very surprised at this as I had just returned and I knew there was nothing untoward with my trip to China. I should mention in this regard that the Public Protector (Adv. Madonsela) and the Speaker of Parliament (Mr Max Sisulu) did not find me guilty of any wrongdoing.

THE OFFER MADE OF THE POSITION OF MINISTER OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

59. I had been trying for some time to meet with Mr Zuma regarding the Pebble Bed Modular Reactor² amongst other issues. I had been sending

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The Pebble Bed-Modular-Reactor (PBMR) was a Nuclear Study project of Government. The project was overseen by two Departments and Ministries, one being the Energy Ministry and its Department (where policy for the project was regulated) and the Ministry as well as the Department of Public

numerous messages and requests through various channels.

60. I had communicated with Ms Lakela Kaunda (**Ms Kaunda**), who at the time I thought was Mr Zuma's personal assistant, in order to secure a meeting with Mr Zuma. On one Sunday evening in or around October 2010, about a week or so before the cabinet reshuffle, I received a telephone call from Ms Kaunda, to say that the President could see me the following day. I think Ms Kaunda was his PA although it could have been a different position but she definitely appeared to be from the president's office.
61. Ms Kaunda informed me that Mr Zuma would be available to meet with me the next day, being a Monday.
62. Ms Kaunda advised that a certain individual, would get in contact with me regarding the meeting. She further advised that if the individual failed to contact me, I should contact him on a number, which she provided to me. I do not recall if I asked for the person's number or if Ms Kaunda volunteered it to me.

Enterprises for Operational as well as Cost Allocation purposes. The PBMR was a Project of Eskom. Eskom was in partnership with an American Company by the name of Westinghouse.

When Mr Zuma became president of the ANC, even before he became president of the country, a political decision was taken by him and those that were in the leadership with him, to do away with the PBMR project. I found this decision to be highly irrational, as it did not make any political, financial or economic sense. I was still chairing the Portfolio Committee on the State-Owned Enterprises (S.O.E.s) when this irrational decision was taken. I was very worried and extremely uncomfortable with the decision to cancel that important and very strategic project.

63. I cannot recall whether I called the person or if he called me but we spoke later that evening. As far as a recall, I booked myself on a flight with South African Airways (SAA) from Cape Town to Johannesburg. The man offered me a ticket but I informed him that I needed to book it as I also had to make arrangements with the Passenger Assistance Unit as I was on crutches. I accordingly requested information regarding travel arrangements once I landed at the airport. In particular, I relayed to him my concerns regarding the short notice of the meeting and the fact that I used a wheelchair when I travel, as well as my concerns regarding transportation to take me to Mr Zuma since I was still recovering from an injury at the time and I was using crutches to walk.
64. The name of the man given to me by Ms Kaunda was Atul Gupta, together with his telephone number. The man reassured me that the logistics for travelling from OR Tambo International Airport had all been taken care of and that there would be someone waiting for me upon my arrival in order to take me to Former President Zuma.
65. I flew to Johannesburg on Monday morning and was met by two Indian men, one of whom was holding a placard with my name. They were Atul Gupta and Rajesh Gupta. The two men escorted me to their vehicle. I should mention that even though I had briefly encountered them on my visit to China, I believe that I only recognised one of them and even then I did not pay much attention or register that they were the Gupta brothers when they came to collect me at the airport. This is probably also because judging from their appearance; I initially thought that they were security or drivers for the President. I believed they were from the President's office as their attire and demeanour appeared very official. They wore dark suits, wore ear-pieces (for communicating) and

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sunglasses. I do not recall the make of the vehicle save for the fact that it was a black twin cab "bakkie" with tinted windows and elevated wheels.

66. I found glossy magazines and newspapers in the vehicle. In order to keep myself occupied, I paged through them as we drove. I noticed that some of the magazines were about Sahara Computers and others about cricket. I was expecting to be taken to the Union Building to meet with the President. I was of the firm belief that one meets the President at either the Union Building or the Presidential home or possibly at Luthuli House on Mondays, which is where the President often is as the NEC of the ANC meets at Luthuli House on Mondays.
67. I was therefore surprised when, after driving for some time (but not long enough to have reached Pretoria), I noticed that we had come to a stop in a semi-industrial area. I enquired if this was the venue where I would be meeting with Mr Zuma. The two men informed me that we were still on our way to see Mr Zuma but that they first wanted me to meet someone else. They said it was their older brother whom they wanted to introduce me to. I asked why I would need to meet their brother, but I do not recall them answering.
68. We were parked in what appeared to be a parking lot similar to a parking lot at a shopping complex. I noticed that "*Sahara*" was written on the outside of the building at which we had stopped. I attach hereto marked "MPM1" a picture of the building. I was taken into the building and made to wait for a considerable amount of time for this person whom I had to meet.
69. I became irritated because it was unclear to me what was happening. At

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the time, I only made the connection from advertisements that Sahara was a computer company but I did not know at that point that it was a Gupta company. I also recognised the name Sahara as it was touted as a major company playing a central role in a particular project in the Eastern Cape Economic Development Zone. That is what was on my mind as I climbed out of the car. I was led to the end of a L-shaped corridor, where I was shown to a well-worn chair and coffee table displaying many Sahara magazines and recent newspapers.

70. While waiting to be introduced to this person, I called my friend Daphne Mashile Nkosi (Ms Nkosi), who lives in Johannesburg, and informed her that I was in Johannesburg, on my way to see Mr Zuma in Pretoria at the Union Building. I told her I was scheduled to fly back to Cape Town later that day and I asked her if I could overnight at her home should I be delayed.
71. I was left sitting there as the men disappeared. I noticed that they had two-way radios. The one man, whom I later came to know as Atul Gupta, was constantly on the radio speaking in a foreign language. He informed me that the man I was to meet was still busy on a telephone call. I continued to wait and became increasingly annoyed and worried that I would be late for my meeting with Mr Zuma.
72. I was eventually taken into an office where an individual was introduced to me. I now know this man to be Ajay Gupta. Ajay Gupta remained seated when I entered the office. It was neither a posh nor a big office. He sat behind a desk.
73. After introducing himself to me as the eldest of the brothers who had met

me at the airport, he then proceeded to ask me questions about my family life. I should say that he greeted me by my surname before I could even tell him who I was. He said he was aware that I was a prominent Member of Parliament and that he had seen me on television and read of me in the media. He was very complimentary about my work. He appeared to know a lot about me.

74. It was initially difficult to strike up a conversation. He asked about my children. He seemed to show a particular interest in my son and wished to know where he went to school, how old he was, whether he played sport and so on. I mentioned that my son plays cricket for the Western Province junior team. He then told me all about his interest in cricket. Ajay Gupta then informed me that they had a suite at the Newlands cricket stadium in Cape Town and that he could get me tickets to the cricket whenever there was a game, in order for me to use their suite. I responded vaguely saying something like "Maybe my son would like that. I will ask him if he is interested". He also offered me a cricket bat for my son but I said I had bought him a new one recently. He said I should let him know when he needs another one and I said I will ask him.
75. As a matter of courtesy, I reciprocated and asked him about his family. He said that he had sent his youngest brother to study in the USA and that shortly thereafter, when the brother returned to India, they developed an interest in cricket and he sent the brother to South Africa ahead of him and he followed later. I also mentioned that I had noticed he was into computers because of "Sahara".
76. I noticed that Ajay Gupta was wearing a gold ring with a ruby stone on

his pointing finger. I asked about it and he informed me that it belonged to his father but that he (Ajay Gupta) had inherited it and now wears it as his father passed away and he was now the patriarch and in the Hindu culture it must be displayed on that finger to demonstrate his status and rank.

77. After the conversation about our families we sat in awkward silence. It is at this point that I expressed my concern regarding the time. I said it was getting late and that I had a meeting. To my surprise, Ajay Gupta knew that I was to be meeting with Mr Jacob Zuma. I had not disclosed this to him. He informed me that Mr Zuma had been delayed at Luthuli house as he said there had been a "COSATU strike" on that day. I was extremely perturbed by his intimate knowledge of the whereabouts of the President. When I left, Ajay Gupta informed me that we would meet again, which I took to mean as an exchange of pleasantries, wrapping up our conversation. He also said that the two men that had fetched me from the airport would take me to a place where I would wait for the President as he was running late. I assumed they would be taking me to Pretoria. At the time, I thought that the encounter was rather peculiar. In addition, it was unclear to me why I had been brought to meet with this man.
78. We (the other two Gupta brothers who had collected me from the airport and I) then drove from the Sahara building until we arrived at a huge residential home, which I did not recognise. The two brothers spoke to the security guards at the entrance, and then entered the premises. I now know that this is the Gupta home in Saxonwold which appears in the pictures attached hereto marked "MPM2".
79. I was unsure where we were. I asked why we still had to stop at yet

another place along the way to my meeting with Mr Zuma. I was under the impression that the meeting would be held at the Union Buildings. The two men said that I was to wait for Mr Zuma there.

80. The home was structured like a compound with a few mansion like houses. I was then taken into the biggest of the houses. The interior was very beautiful, with marble stairs at the entrance and expensive-looking artwork on the interior walls. We went up a few stairs, which led to what I would describe as a waiting room. It was an extremely spacious room even though it had only two sofas and a coffee table. I gathered it was still a work in progress.
81. Atul Gupta showed me the restrooms in the house. I used the facilities for ladies. The facilities were opulent and beautifully designed with gold details on the handles of the door and the toilet cistern handles. The bathrooms were not very spacious, but they also had very beautiful gold-plated mirrors that looked like they were of French design.
82. While waiting, Atul Gupta informed me that Ajay Gupta, whom I had met earlier at the Sahara building, would also be coming to meet with me. I was surprised as I had just met with him at the Sahara premises and was confused as to what was going on. Atul informed me further that Mr Zuma was delayed at Luthuli house. I was asked to be patient and to wait for him.
83. I sat on one of the couches in the waiting room. Atul Gupta asked if I would have anything to eat or drink. Out of politeness, I said yes. He informed me that he would go and fetch their Chef in order for me to be informed what was available. He then brought a young man who was

barefooted and wearing a vest. The young man went down on one knee (he almost bowed to me) and spoke to me in a foreign language that I was not familiar with. Atul Gupta informed me that the man was their chef and that they had brought him to South Africa from India. I was offered various lunch options. I chose mutton curry. I was uncomfortable with the man kneeling before us. I asked Atul Gupta to please inform him to stand up.

84. I was made to wait a long time, during which time I made another telephone call to Ms Nkosi. I told her that my meeting was running late and it was possible that I was not going to make my flight back to Cape Town. She assured me that I could stay at her house that evening if the need arose. The other reason that I called her was because I was feeling uneasy and wanted the comfort of someone knowing what was going on. As I did not know the place, I was unable to let her know the address and simply told her I was brought to a strange house to apparently wait for the President.
85. After waiting for a substantial amount of time – approximately two but maybe three hours – Ajay Gupta came into the room but through a different entrance from the one that I had entered through.
86. He greeted me once more and sat on the other couch. He then went on to ask about the uranium in the Northern Cape, saying that he knew I was from that province. He said that uranium was needed for nuclear energy and that they would soon be the main supplier of uranium to the Government's nuclear programme.
87. He referred to a legal problem that Denel had in India and stated that he

could solve it, as they were close to the Indian Government. This matter was top secret. I was accordingly surprised that he knew about it.

88. He then told me that he was aware that I was meeting with Mr Zuma in order to discuss, amongst other things, the Pebble Bed Modular Reactor. I was shocked that he knew this information. Ajay Gupta started talking about the Pebble Bed Modular Reactor and remarked that it should be closed because it was "burning money".
89. Ajay Gupta went on to talk about the turnaround strategy of SAA and that it was not yielding results. He commented that the SAA route to India was not profitable and it was costing the country a lot of money. He stated that he thought that SAA's India route should be stopped. I pointed to the bilateral relations between India and South Africa and the fact that passengers and goods are transported via the India route on a daily basis. I asked him what would happen to those passengers and goods if the airline route was cancelled. He told me not to worry as they were in a partnership with an airline that could take over this route.
90. Immediately after his statements about SAA's India route, Ajay Gupta then very casually, and much to my astonishment, proceeded to offer me the position of Minister of Public Enterprises if I would agree to facilitate the closure of SAA's India route when I became Minister. Ajay Gupta said there would be a cabinet reshuffle in the next week or so and he said he had an offer for me. He said that I could be the next Minister of Public Enterprises if I agreed to facilitate the closure of the route.
91. It is an understatement to say that I was shocked by the offer. I was stunned and wondered how Ajay Gupta had so much power. I responded,

firstly by informing him that the SAA statistics showed that the flight to India was doing very well. Secondly, I asked how he could be in a position to offer me a position as a minister. Ajay Gupta said he would put in a word with the President for me. After this statement there was silence in the room after which Ajay stated: "*We usually do*". I perceived his tone to be boastful. I then asked him who "*we*" was but he did not respond.

92. I was growing very agitated and angry and began to speak very loudly. I had become confrontational and began raising my voice. It was at that moment that Mr Zuma suddenly entered the room. He walked in from the same direction that Ajay Gupta had entered (as opposed to the entrance that I was brought through).
93. I immediately stood up to greet Mr Zuma, as is protocol. Ajay Gupta did not stand. Mr Zuma and Ajay Gupta did not greet each other.
94. I recall being struck at how swiftly Mr Zuma entered the room, at the very moment that I was telling Ajay Gupta that I would never take a position from a stranger (as those can only be offered by the President or Luthuli House), and at the moment that I was becoming increasingly agitated. I was very angry and voiced my concerns with Mr Zuma about the information that Ajay Gupta had and the offer which he had made to me.
95. Despite what I had just told him, Mr Zuma was very calm and kept telling me to calm down. Mr Zuma did not seem at all concerned or surprised when I informed him that Ajay Gupta had just offered me a ministerial position and I asked how he could possibly do that. Mr Zuma

simply repeated to me that I should not worry.

96. At the time, I felt more upset at the prospect that Mr Zuma was perhaps faulting me for my anger when he should actually have found fault in what I had just told him about Ajay Gupta. Mr Zuma did not negate or contradict anything I had just told him about what had passed between Ajay Gupta and I just moments before his arrival. When I realised that Mr Zuma was not taking it seriously, I decided it would be best to remove myself from the situation.
97. Still very angry and emotional at that point, I asked Mr Zuma to excuse me, indicating that I would miss my flight if I did not leave. I also apologised to Mr Zuma for not having agreed to see him in China. He simply kept on saying that all was fine and that I should keep calm.
98. Mr Zuma informed me that had he known that I was walking on crutches, he would not have had me travel from Cape Town to Johannesburg to meet with him. As Mr Zuma escorted me out he was offered food but declined, saying that he would be eating at his son Duduzane Zuma's house. Mr Zuma explained that his son lived "*next door*" to the house we were just in, in the same 'complex', and that his son often complained that he (Mr Jacob Zuma) was always eating at this house where the encounter had just occurred.
99. Mr Zuma walked me all the way to the twin cab "bakkie", carrying my handbag as I was walking with crutches. Ajay Gupta did not accompany us. He remained seated when Mr Zuma and I left the room, just as he had done when the President had entered the room. Mr Zuma then bid me farewell, saying: "*Hamba kahle Ntombazane, Kuzolunga. Zinakekele*".

meaning; "Go well young woman, everything will be OK. Look after yourself". He also said that we would see each other again. He helped me into the car, still trying to calm me down and apologised for making me come to Johannesburg when I was on crutches. He continually referred to me as a "*Ntombazane*".

100. As we drove off, I called Ms Nkosi once again and told her that the meeting did not take place but that I would brief her when I saw her in person. I was uncomfortable talking on the phone about the incident while in the car with the two Gupta brothers. I was then driven back to the airport.
101. Approximately one week or so later, and much to my surprise, Mr Zuma shuffled his cabinet as Ajay Gupta said he would. Indeed, Ms Hogan was removed from her position as Minister of Public Enterprises. As part of this reshuffle, Mr Zuma replaced Ms Hogan with Mr Gigaba as Minister of Public Enterprises.
102. It is my understanding that after the re-shuffle, SAA abandoned its SA-India route, and a Gupta-associated airline took over the route.

MY DISCLOSURE OF THE OFFER MADE TO ME BY AJAY GUPTA

First disclosures

103. I did not go public on the Saxonwold incident immediately. The Joint Standing Committee on Intelligence, of which I was a member, met on Wednesdays. Shortly after my encounter with Mr Zuma and the Guptas at their residence, I did disclose to a few members of the Committee

what had happened at my recent meeting with Mr Zuma. They were Hlengiwe Mgangadeli, Dennis Bloem and Siyabonga Cwele (the chair of the Committee). They all took an interest in my account.

104. At the Committee meeting one or two of the members informed the chairperson at the time (Cwele) that they thought we ought to discuss certain individuals known as the Guptas. Cwele, however, persuaded the Committee not to take the matter further as Cwele informed us that he would take the matter to Luthuli House for consideration. Thereafter, we never heard of the matter again.

105. I should mention that I had a meeting with Gwede Mantashe and Jessie Duarte for in order to discuss certain issues. This was the second meeting which I had with them. By the time I met with them at Luthuli House the incident in Saxonworld had already occurred with Former President Zuma and Ajay Gupta. We discussed the China trip and my unhappiness regarding the China trip and about being unjustly treated as a result of the trip and the increasing corruption in the SOEs, which I was overseeing. I went as far as asking them to remove me from my position in parliament as I was very hurt because of all of these things. I also mentioned the Saxonworld incident and Gwede Mantashe left and said that he had another meeting and that Jessie Duarte should continue with the meeting. Jessie appeared to not want to discuss the matter.

Media and social media

106. In or around February 2013, reports emerged in the media that members of the Gupta family had used the Waterkloof air force base to land chartered planes with guests arriving from India in order to attend a

wedding of Vega Gupta and Aakash Jahajgarra. The bride to be was the daughter of Achla Gupta who is the only sister to the Gupta brothers. After seeing the reports I made various posts on Facebook regarding the Gupta family.. At the time, my posts did not receive any media attention.

107. It was at this point, and because of the ongoing reports relating to the Gupta family, and my own research which I was conducting, that I truly began to realise the real magnitude of the power they were wielding in South Africa. I began regularly posting about the Gupta family.
108. On 14 March 2016, Mr Johan Abrie, a Democratic Alliance Member of Parliament, and an acquaintance and "*Facebook friend*", posted a picture on Facebook in which the face of a Gupta family member had been superimposed onto the South African Government emblem.
109. I responded to the Facebook post and, in effect, stated that the Gupta family had offered me the position of Minister of Public Enterprises when Barbara Hogan was removed, on condition that I would drop the SAA route to India and give it to them. A copy of the picture that Mr Abrie posted and response are attached and marked "MPM3" and "MPM4".
110. I stated as follows:

"But they hap previously asked me to become Minister of Public Enterprises when Barbara Hogan got the chop, provided that I would drop the SAA flight-route to India and give to them. I refused and so I was never made a Minister. The President was in another room when they offered me this in Saxonwold."

111. On 15 March 2016, the Presidency issued a statement in response to my comment, stating that "President Zuma has no recollection of Ms Mentor. He is therefore unable to comment on any alleged incident in her career". I attach the statement hereto marked "MPM5"
112. I then posted the following facebook post, a copy of which is attached marked "MPM6":

"I chaired the ANC National Parliamentary Caucus when President Zuma was a Deputy President. He sat next to me and spoke through me and with me in Caucus each Thursday when Parliament was in session. I sat with him in the ANC's Political Committee each month too. He is the one who was sent by the TOP 6 then to tell me that the ANCC has deplored me to be the Chair of Caucus then. He is the one who introduced me to the ANC Caucus then as a new Chair of Caucus. I had a bi-monthly with him in his Tuynhuis Offices then. He knew me right from when we arrived from exile. He met me frequently on the ground in the Northern Cape on many occasions. I know President Mbeki and Kgalema Motlanthe will never ever say they have no recollection of me. As for the Guptas. I am not done yet, a lot still need to be told ... will leave this here for now. I will only talk to the media if necessary from Friday late. The scoundrels can continue to insult the bark. If anything happens to me or my family, you all know who to suspect. I am NOT scared thou. I know my Redeemer Lives!"

113. On 17 March 2016 I further posted:

"President Zuma was in that Gupta house with me on that day. He came in after I rejected the offer. He accompanied me down the 4/5/6 marble (covered) wide stairs at the entrance of the Gupta house to their black twin-cab with heavily black-tinted windows which taking me back to the airport. I was on crutches. It was about 5 - 7 days or so before Barbara Hogan was reshuffled as a Minister of Public Enterprises. The rest I will reveal at the right time."

114. A copy of this post is "MPM7"
115. Journalists began approaching me for comments after this Facebook post. I made statements to a number of journalists regarding the circumstances under which members of the Gupta family had offered me a ministerial post. As a result, a number of articles were subsequently published in this regard.
116. On about 16 March 2016, Mr Mcebisi Jonas released a statement detailing his own encounters with the Gupta family and Mr Zuma. According to this statement, members of the Gupta family offered Mr Jonas the position of Minister of Finance prior to the removal of the erstwhile Minister of Finance, Mr Nhlanhla Nene.
117. There were reports that the ANC would be investigating the state capture matter. I suggested that there may be other people who were not ANC members that might also have some information on the matter and that the State should therefore investigate.

The Hawks

118. Shortly afterwards, on or about 26 May 2016 I went to lay charges against Mr Zuma and some Ministers of Cabinet and certain board members of certain state owned enterprises with the Durbanville South African Police Service (SAPS). My statement was handwritten in my house by a Captain Pieterse, from a Major General Veary's office, and who was accompanied by a Captain van Wyngaard.
119. I subsequently requested my statement from the police but I was told it

was with the Hawks. The SAPS Detective division said it was no longer with them. I was told that General Ntemeza of the Hawks had flown someone by jet to fetch my statement from SAPS Western Cape Detective division to take it to his offices.

120. A member of the Hawks, Advocate Mtolo along with another member of the Hawks whose name I do not recall, then came to my house with a typed version of the statement. Advocate Mtolo advised me that the reason for the delay was that I had complained about President Zuma and that their hands were consequently tied. They could not proceed with my complaint while the president was named in my complaint. After much deliberation, I agreed to remove Mr Zuma's name from the affidavit in the hopes that the Hawks would investigate my complaints. As far as I am aware, the Hawks do not seem to be actively investigating the matter and there does not seem to have been any progress in this regard.
121. At the time I made handwritten changes on the statement as it did not accurately capture what I had told Peterson and Van Wygaard and had various errors. Advocate Mtolo and I agreed that he would return to my home with a properly typed statement incorporating the changes and insertions which I had made, this however did not happen. I attach the statement hereto marked "MPM8".
122. At some point I went to lay a charge against Mr Ntlemenza and ~~Advocate Mtolo~~ I laid a charge of obstructing justice at the IPID office in Belville. I took pictures of myself outside of the police station and posted them on my Facebook page.
123. After I had made many enquiries on the progress of the charges I laid and

after I had demanded my original Statement from the Police and the Hawks on several occasions to no avail in or about in mid-December 2016 I received a telephone call from Advocate Mtolo and a certain Advocate Voggel of the NPA from Pretoria. They requested to meet with me on around the 14th of December of the same year.

The Public Protector

124. The DA, the Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) and other organisations subsequently requested the Public Protector to open an investigation into my and Mr Jonas's allegations. In effect, the Public Protector was asked to investigate whether the president allowed members of the Gupta family to influence and play a role in appointing cabinet ministers in exchange for executive decisions favourable to the business interests of the Gupta family.
125. The Public Protector did indeed initiate such an investigation. In or around August 2016, the Public Protector interviewed me as part of her investigation into the issue of "*state capture*" by the Gupta family. This was hardly surprising given that my disclosures were partly the reason that the DA and others requested the Public Protector to investigate the issue.
126. In addition, as far as I am aware, I am the only person to have knowledge (and to have made a public statement to that effect) that this happened with Mr Zuma's knowledge and approval while he was President. I have willingly co-operated with the Public Protector throughout.
127. In October 2016, it was reported in the media that Mr Zuma, still the

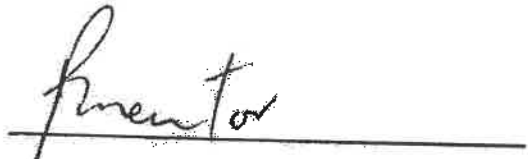
President at the time, was requesting a list of witnesses from the Public Protector. I viewed this as an attempt by the President to intimidate those persons who had given evidence to the Public Protector against him. In order to show that I was not going to be intimidated and to stand up to what I perceived as threats of intimidation against me and others who had provided information to the Public Protector, I posted the following on Facebook (retrieved from a twitter account) (a screenshot of the post is attached and marked "MPM9"):

"Dear Zuma. I spoke to the PP. I revealed things about. You and your folly relationship with the Guptas through your son. I can go one-on-one with you on a publicly televised hearing only AFTER the PP releases her Report, with or without you having responded to the questions she posed to you six months ago..! am NOT scared of you, of your lies, of your tricks, your delaying tactics, your attempted intimidation, your harassment, and what you normally do to people. You are a coward that hides behind State power all the time. Where ever have you heard a person that is being investigated by the PP making the silly demands you are making? Power has really ran to your head. I feel sorry for you"

128. A few days later, my Facebook account was hacked. It was also blocked. This had happened previously as well, subsequent to my disclosure made in March 2016. I found it more than a mere coincidence that my account was blocked after making the disclosures referred to.
129. Even today, I still suspect that my account was hacked because I posted adverse and damaging information about the president and his relationship with the Gupta family. My account has been hacked on more than one occasion thereafter.
130. I made the disclosures set out above and willingly co-operated with the Public Protector because I believe that the issue of "state capture" is the

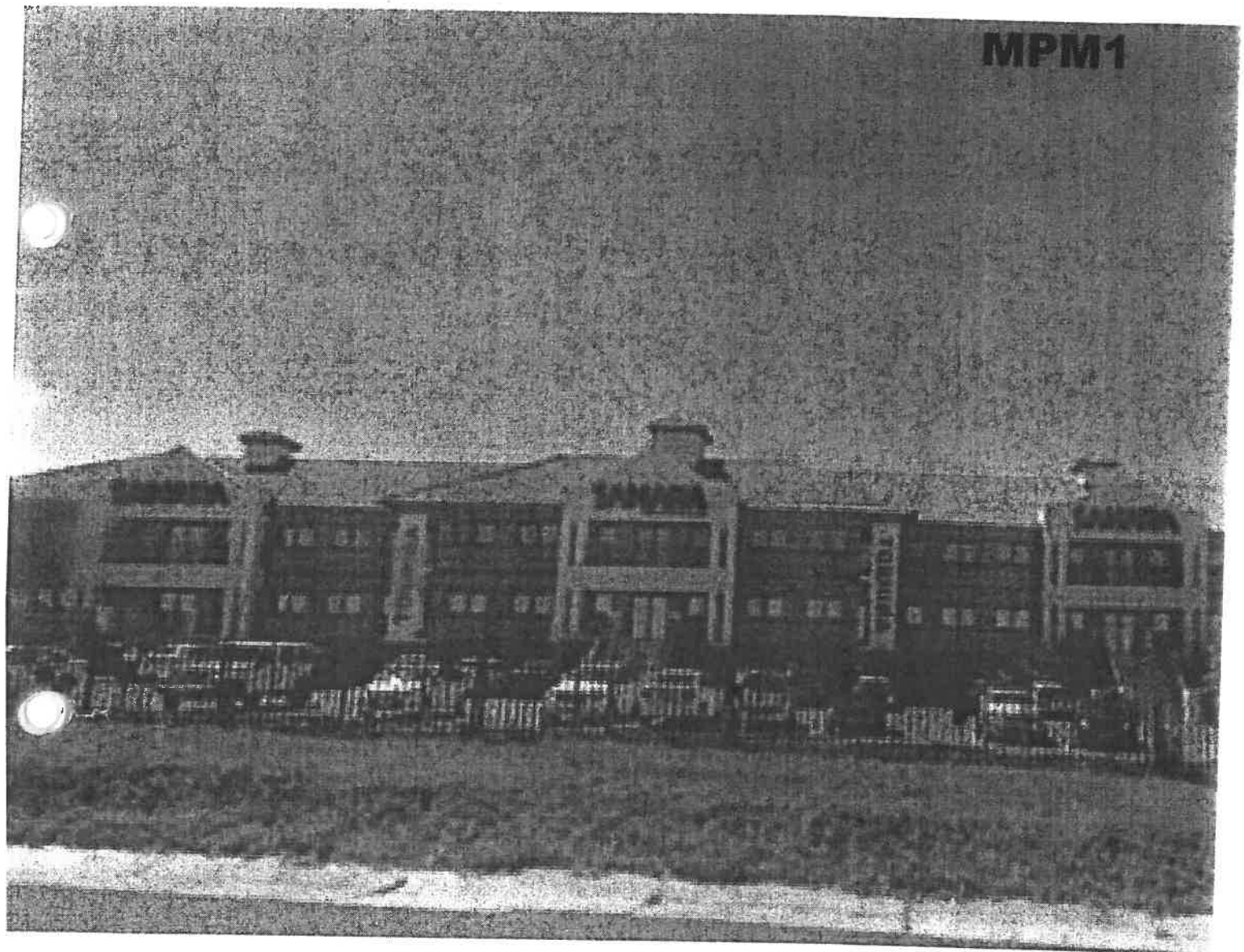
single greatest threat to our constitutional democracy since the end of apartheid.

131. I understand that I will be asked to confirm the contents of this statement under oath at the Inquiry.
132. I reserve my rights to supplement this statement if necessary.


MABEL PATRONELLA MENTOR

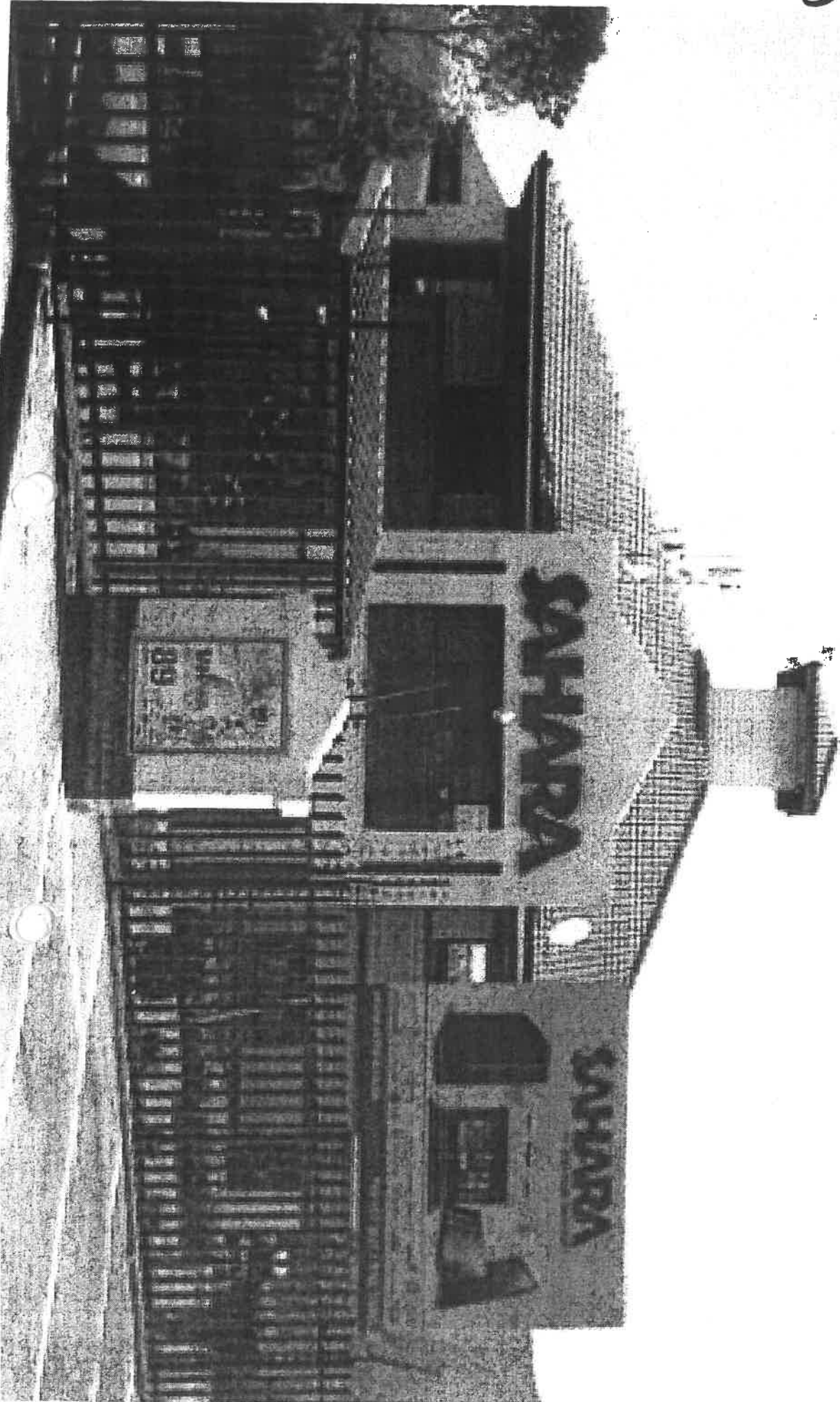
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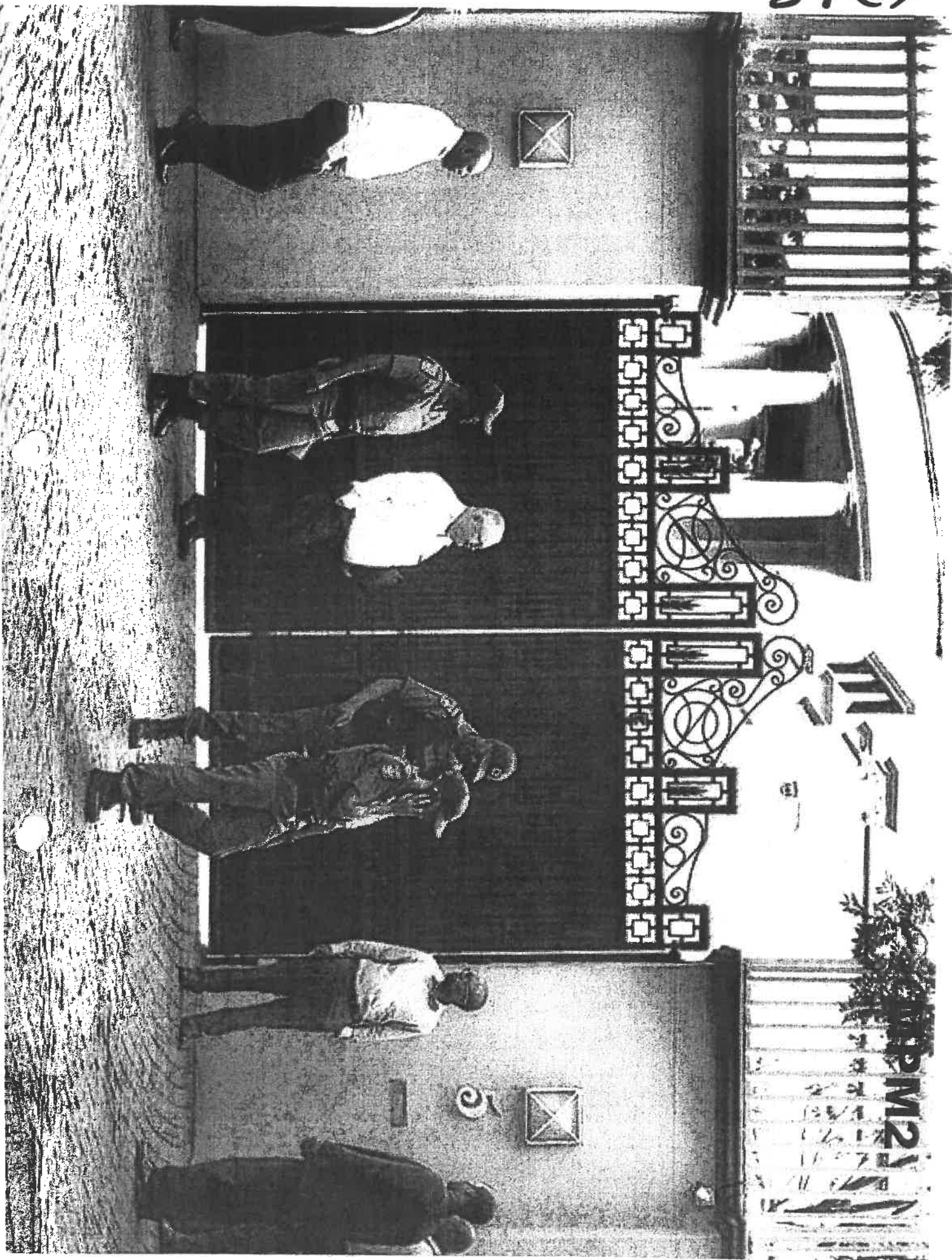
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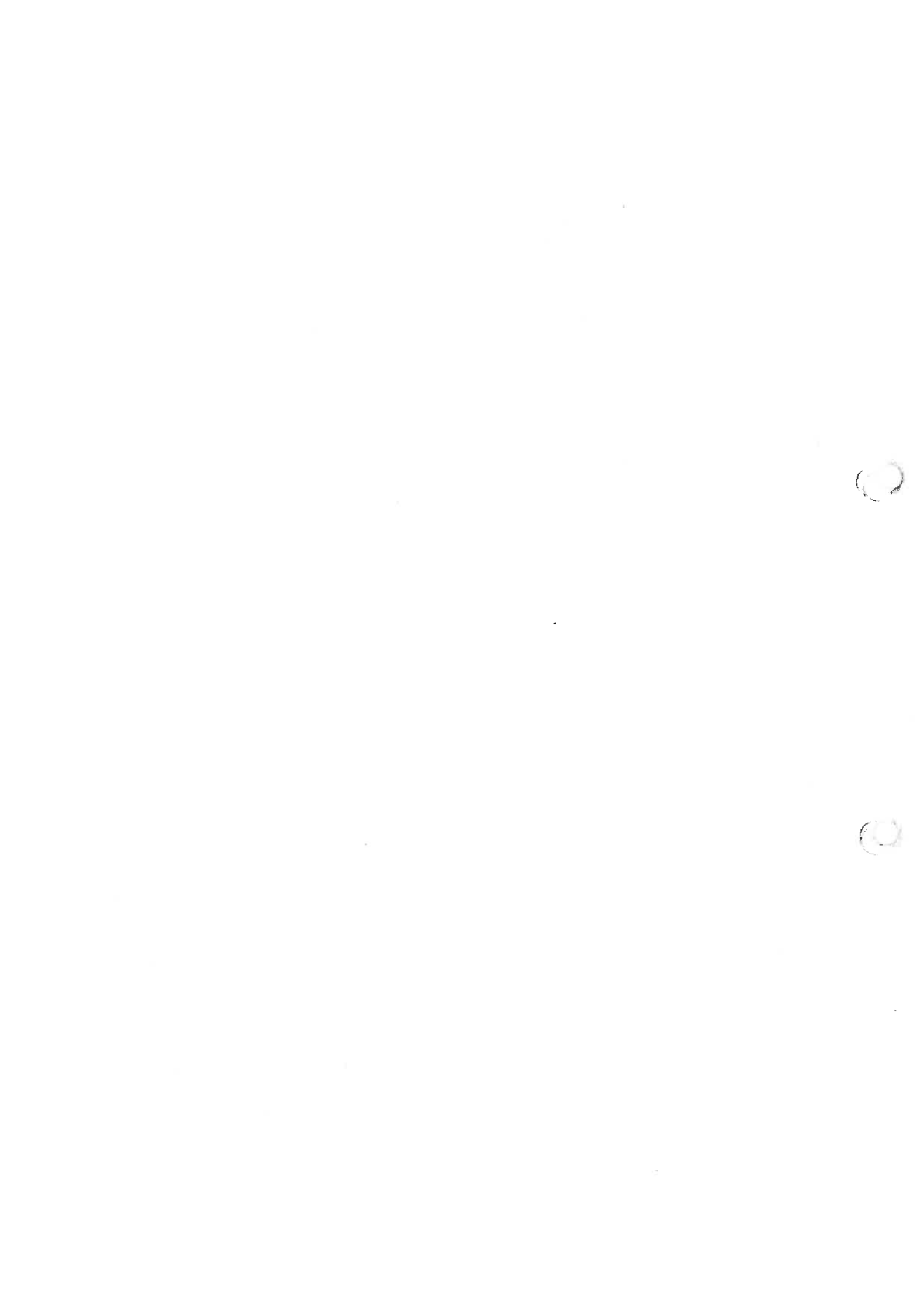


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**Johann Abrie**

March 21, 2016 at 5:44 AM

...to correct its ways. You can do that by voting for an opposition party this year. Only that can break the arrogance of the Zuma/Gupta Business Joint Venture which is busy to bankrupt our country.

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**Johann Abrie**

February 2, 2016 at 9:36 AM

Great cartoon. The former greats of the liberation struggle thrown upon the de-facto Prime Minister of Zuma's ANC, Atul Gupta.



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**Johann Abrie**

March 12, 2016 at 7:57 PM

Nene will work at the Bncs Bank when he fired him as Minister of Finance to install the Gupta's choice Des van Rooyen in December. It looks like the former Governor of the Reserve Bank Tito Mboweni will.

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March 14, 2016

The Minister of Finance did not confirm or deny the fact that the Gupta brothers approached his deputy, Mcebisi Jonas for the job as Finance Minister.

For those of you able to read between the lines, this means that deputy minister Jonas is the second person (after the Minister of Sport Fikile Mbalula) who were approached by the Guptas for a job as Minister instead of by President Zuma.

It is now clear that Zuma abdicated his job of appointing Ministers to the Guptas.



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Bart Naidoo When will the ANC wake up... When they change the name of our country to "Guptastan"

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**Johann Abrie**

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Kgalema Bra Mofokeng Welcome to the "Guptastan"

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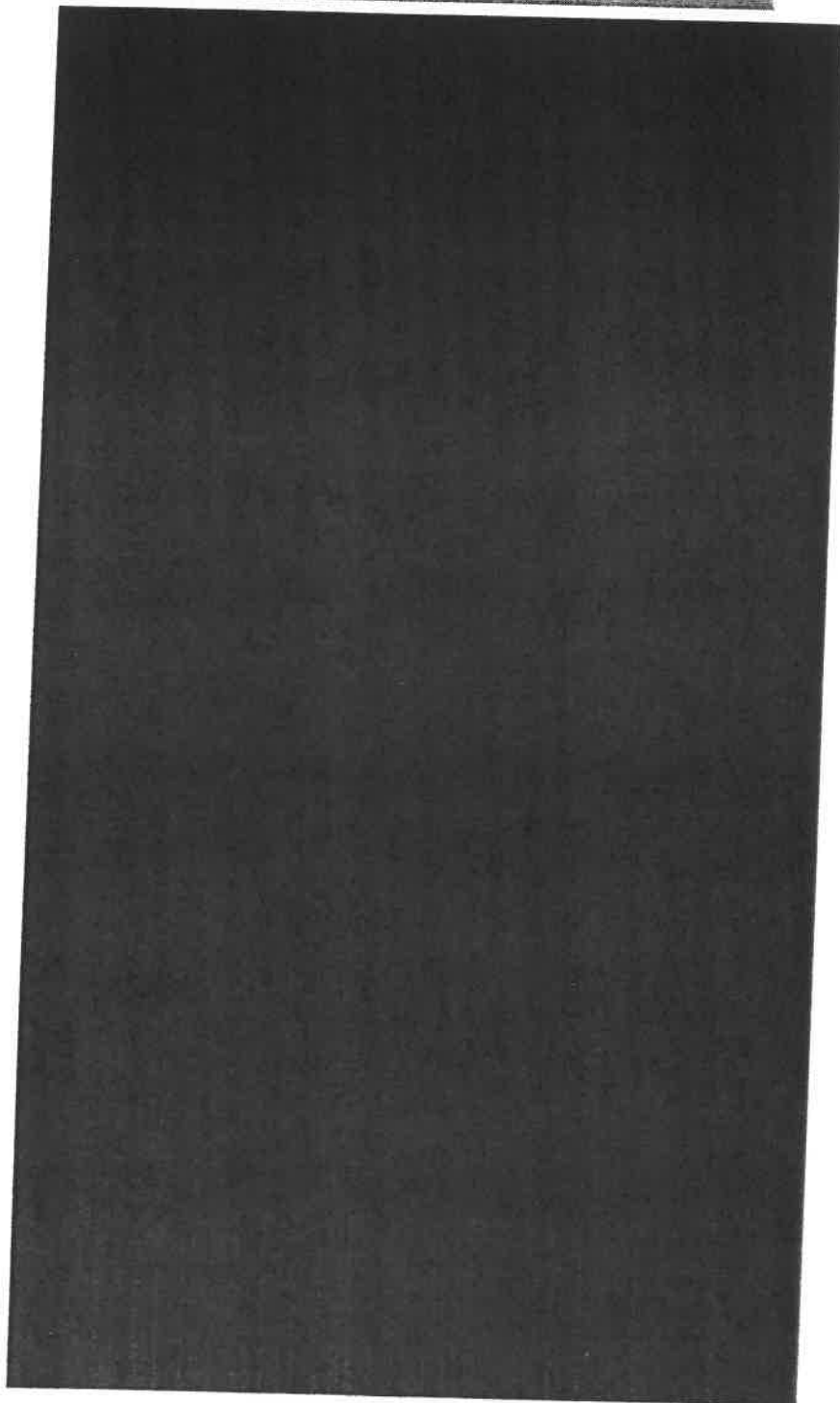
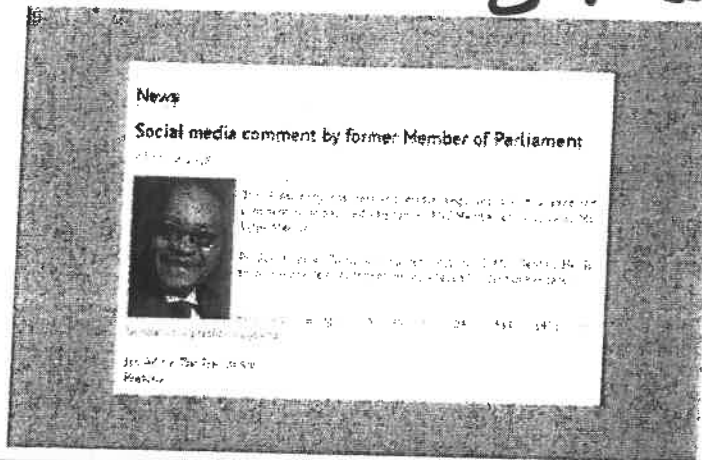
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-  **Deon Smit** There is a third Gupta appointment! The Minister of Mineral Resources
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-  **Vytjie Mentor** But they hap previously asked me to become Minister of Public Enterprises when Barbara Hogan got the chop, provided that I would drop the SAA flight-route to India and give to them. I refused and so I was never made a Minister. The President was in another room when they offered me this in Saxonwold.
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-  **Johann Abrie** Dear God Aunty Vytjie. Please tell me you are joking
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-  **Onkgopotse JJ Tabane** cde Mentor can I please interview you on this on my show tonight briefly . please call me if u are willing to repeat this on air 0828668858
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-  **Lily Bashe** Yheoyho! Would love to hear this sort from Ginger
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-  **Johan Jensen van Vuuren** Hier kom n Ding !!!
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-  **Vusi The-General Mhlangu** And he. Gordhan said my silence is the answer to everything. Meaning that everything is true
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-  **Ken Le Roux** The Americans eventually caught Al Capone on tax evasion. Perhaps that is why the Guptas want to control SARS. They don't want to be caught with their income declarations down. The surest way to follow the money trail between the Zumas and the Guptas is through Revenue Services and the registrar of companies
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-  **Johann Abrie**
March 20, 2016 at 8:45 PM
Apay and Rajesh Gupta. I know it will be almost impossible to cheer you up tonight, but let me try nonetheless. Out of 19 DA municipalities polled, 16 of them had a turnaround time of less than 1 week

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-  **Johann Abrie**
March 15, 2016
BREAKING NEWS - BREAKING NEWS
When Barbara Hogan was kicked out as Minister of Public Enterprises, the Gupta brothers invited former portfolio committee chairperson Vytjie Mentor to their palace in Saxonwold, Johannesburg.
The Guptas then offered Ms. Mentor the position as Minister of Public Enterprises on the condition that she would drop the SAA flight route to India and give it to them.
The Guptas did that, and wait for this - WHILE PRESIDENT JACOB GEDLEYIHLEKISA ZUMA WAS SITTING IN ANOTHER ROOM IN THE SAME HOUSE.
Ms. Mentor refused the conditions attached to the offer and President Zuma subsequently did not give her the job.
And YES. I have proof in black and white.
PS I lag a top lawyer, a retired Judge and the Editor of Beeld on this post

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Vytjie Mentor updated her status.
October 10, 2016 at 6:31 PM

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Vytjie Mentor
March 18, 2016 Cape Town

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August 8, 2016 at 7:01 PM

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June 24, 2016 at 12:21 PM

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March 17, 2018 Cape Town

President Zuma was in that Gupta house with me on that day. He came in after I rejected the offer. He accompanied me down the 4/5/6 marble (covered) wide stairs at the entrance of the Gupta house to their black twin-cab with heavily black-tinted windows which taking me back to the airport. I was on crutches. It was about 5-7 days or so before Barbara Hogan was reshuffled as a Minister of Public Enterprises. The rest I will reveal at the right time.

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In this way the depth of how the Gupta corrupted our political system is being protected from further exposure

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He must tell us why he provided a Letter-head and his own signature to facilitate the landing of the Gupta Jet at Waterkloof to validate that landing as "Government Business". They must not play games

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Today I cooked Indian cuisine - Gupta-style, you know mos?

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May 30, 2016 at 6:01 PM

The sheer arrogance of the Gupias, our President and Cabinet to strong-battle banks into reopening the Gupta accounts smacks of abuse of power and is actually against international banking regulations.

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July 25, 2016 at 5:55 PM

Unfortunately Minister Lynn Gupta-Brown of Public-Gupta-Enterprises is the one who will appoint the new SAA Gupta Board

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We all know that Andile Mxolisa is on the Gupta family payroll. We know what his agenda entails

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I'm an adult female ID [REDACTED], resides at [REDACTED] with contact numbers [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

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I am sober and with my full conscious. My home language is Setswana but speaks English, Afrikaans and Zulu fluently. I also do speak a bit Xhosa. I am comfortable making this statement in English.

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Since 1998; 1999, 2000; 2001 until August 2002. I was an official in the Department of Education, and Councillor in the Northern Cape. I am an ANC member.

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After August 2002 I became a member of the Parliament. When I arrived at Parliament I functioned under Public Services and Administration and also serve under the Portfolio for Education. During this period I received three (3) times promotion.

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From 2004 until 2009 I became the ANC: (1) ^{SP} Coccus Parliamentary Chair Person (2) Chairperson: Joint Standing Committee on Intelligence for Parliament (3) ^{Member} Chairperson: Rules Committee of Parliament; (4) Chairperson of Public Enterprises. *R*

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Due to my positions I was entrusted with, I was exposed ^{to go} and experienced sensitive matters. *Phenik*

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The DENEL-Company ^{currently} resorted under me; in fact all state owned companies ^{currently} resorted under me. Meaning I was overseeing together with the Committee ^{currently} resorting under me.

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Denel is a state-owned Arms Manufacturing Company which was at a stage one of the most stable companies, meaning highly profitable and best run.

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The Gupta brothers are co-owners/partners of Denel. This I can state factually because of the following reasons: The Gupta Brothers approached the Industrial Development Cooperation (IDC) and borrow and or make a loan to establish a company that will partner with DENEL. The amount borrowed was 2000 Million Rand. *R283 m*

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This money was paid out to them. The Guptas was supposed to service the loan amount immediately. For + 18 months they didn't do it. R300 million became R350 million that the Gupta Brothers owed the IDC. They used the money to buy OAKBAY Investments which gave birth to SHIVI URANIUM and VR-LAZOR.

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SHIVI URANIUM specializes in uranium, but also supplies ESCOM with Coles. VR-LAZER specialises in cutting steel.

another Gupta Company

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The Gupta Brothers then, because of the debt of R350 million, arrange a meeting with the IDC and made a deal with the IDC. The deal was then that the IDC will become shareholders of VR-LAZOR for a percentage of 3, 4 shares. (This now turns out to be a mere 2 + 1/2 %)

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The IDC then cancelled the debt, because VR-LAZER will cut steel for the project of manufacturing army vehicles in South Africa. There-after the Defence Force and or Army paid an amount of ten (10) billion rand upfront to VR-LAZER for the building of cutting steel for army vehicles still to be produced.

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In this time frame a Mr Iqbal Surty was the Chief Director within the Department of Trade and Industry. He was the central player and was close with Minister Rob Davis, the Minister of Trade and Industry. Mr Iqbal Surty was also closely related to the Gupta Brothers.

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VR-LAZER together with DENEL went to Asia, Hong Kong where they did contracts of which I have no knowledge. They opened an office in Asia, largely funded by DENEL

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DENEL has capability to manufacture any sorts of arms and ammunition including vehicle aircrafts, etc, that has to do with defence. The Gupta Company has no such capability

28 (a)

SHIVI-URANIUM was strategically placed to supply uranium to the Government for the Nuclear energy Plant that will still be build.

18 (b)

In their House at Saxoworld in 2010, the Gupta Brothers asked me about Uranium deposits in the Northern Cape where I came from. They said they were interested in mining uranium.

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After becoming aware of all this this information, I came to the conclusion that there are discrepancies and irregularities which I didn't agreed with. They also established arms manufacturing plant in Soliheda Arabia.

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I believe that corruption plays a definite part/role between the Gupts - brothers and government (identified government ministers and employees mentioned in this statement).

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During this period I became aware that the PEBBEL BED MODULAR REACTOR: A mini test Nu-Clear Station located in ^{Phelindaba} ~~Phelindaba~~ Pretoria, must be closed down. This I was very unhappy with, for we were going to lose the Intellectual Property + Human Resource we built there.

I then arranged a meeting with the Minister of Energy ^{in 2010} and share with her my concerns when the Mini Testing Nu-clear Station will be closed. I raised my concerns with the IP (Intellectual Property) and Human Resources we would lose should we mothball/close down PBMR.

At that stage the Government already spend R8 billion Rand; Development Human Resources. It was a product already producing, Intellectuals Property Right (Westing House, an American Company who was in partnership with the government) was also eyeing the IP (Intellectual Property Rights). We were losing Human Capital.

The Minister didn't commit herself but advise me to meet with the president (Jacob Zuma) and discussed it with him. I decided to follow her advice.

25 (a)

I struggle for two (2) months to arrange a meeting with the President. I went to the Tuin Huis with a letter requesting a meeting. I followed protocol in arranging the meeting. I also phoned Ms Lukhele Kaunda at Luthuli House. eventually (25b)

I also phoned Luthuli House repeatedly to get an Appointment with the President.

After spoken to Mr L. Kaunda, she made contact with me ^{one} Sunday evening after ten on my official phone. She just informed me that the person will, phone me with regards to my meeting with the President together with the arrangements. That was to be for the next day, which was a Monday.

Shortly after her call, a person phoned me. The person who contact me was a male. He told me that I must take the plane the following Monday at 06:00 at Cape Town International.

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I was worried, because I was on crutches and asked the man how will I travel. He assured me that my flight was already booked and transport is sorted out. ^{ie. From the Airport to the President. He said 2 men will meet me and identify themselves at the Airport.} ²⁹

The Monday I took the flight as discussed. When I arrived at Johannesburg International (OR Tambo), two males dressed in black was waiting for me. They wear dark glasses with ear-pieces and was driving a black double cab bakkie / vehicle. ^{I thought they were Presidential Security or Drivers.} ³⁰

I got into the vehicle and was expecting to be driven to the Union Building in Pretoria where I was to meet with the President. In fact they drove to SAHARA. They stopped there and I assumed that they were collecting something. Instead they asked me to go with them to say "hello" to someone. So I go with them. Inside I wait in a small waiting area at the end of a long corridor and was told that the person is busy on the phone. ³¹

Finally I went to meet this person and he was introduced to me as the oldest brother. By now I know all three of them are Indians. I observed the following from the oldest brother: He is ^{of the Gupta} shortest than the other two, but was wearing a big brilliant gold ring with a red ruby in the index finger. ³²

He talked to me about my family, asked me about my children. I told him that my son is playing cricket for Western Province. He then offered to buy a cricket bat but I told him that at that stage I already bought my son a new cricket bat made of English Wood. He then suggested that I could ask them for a bat next time. He also said they owned a Suite at the New ³³ Land Cricket Stadium. He said I could ^{when I want it.}

This oldest brother then continues by offering me access to a suite at Newlands Cricket grounds when-ever there was a cricket game and I can take my son with. This man then told me that I am a famous person and it was a privilege for him to meet me. He knew what my position was and also knew that I had an appointment with the President. ^{He said I was a Chair of the Portfolio of Public Enterprises.} ³⁴ He said I was good at my work.

He then hinted that the President was not available yet because he at that stage attend to a meeting at Luthuli House. I became agitated and impatient, because it was very strange to me that this man knows about my visit and seems to know the whereabouts of the President. ^{I was now getting unsettled and uncomfortable} ³⁵

I have never met any of them previously, that day was my first time. We spend +45 minutes at SAHARA. From there, we drove and I thought we are going straight to the Union Building for my meeting with the President.

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Instead of going there, they drove to big Cluster Mansion with +5 big houses. It was a private complex. I will be able to identify the house because it wasn't finished at that stage. ^{Especially inside} There was a big pillar not finished yet and other small structures not yet finished. I remember the cream marble steps. They took me to a foyer that was very big with two coaches where I had to wait. They told me that the older brother will come to meet me again.

first time house was a beige-cream outside at that time

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Also, showed me where the bathroom was and asked if I wanted something to eat and drink. I was served with Chai tea with naan bread and curry. By then I was upset and not feeling well, therefore I didn't enjoy the food. *The young Indian Chef who was wearing a white vest served me. He did not speak English*

Later the older brother arrived and ^{sat} on the other coach. We talked just there. He mentioned the following: "as the Chair Person of the Public Enterprises if I am aware that Denel are for the past 4 years having legal problems in India" I pretend not being aware, because I wanted to know more about this man (oldest brother) he then said that he can help. They are the Gupta brothers (family). He also touched on my agenda with the President. I was very surprised and angry. He claimed that they are very closed to the Indian government as the Gupta brothers.

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He continues and spoke about the SAA Airline Route between South Africa and India. He wants me to commit myself by making a deal that I will influence SAA to stop flying the South African Route between SA and India. He go on and said: 'you could be a Minister of Public Enterprises in a weeks' time when the President will reshuffles cabinet and removes the current (the then Minister) of public Enterprises (Barbara Hogan). He also spoke about the ~~PERBLE-RED~~ *MODULAR REACTOR!!* The very matter I wanted to see the President for. He said ⁴⁰ *must be closed. But at the same time he said he was looking into mining Uranium.* I asked him how he will do it. He responded that he will put in a word with the President to appoint me. I was doubtful and he could see it. So he said that they have done it previously I must just play along, meaning I must agree to influence SAA to stop the route.

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I got very angry and raise my voice. I request, in a loud voice to be taken back to the airport. I never at any stage commit and/or agree to any of his proposals. At that moment the President entered the foyer from the back of me. I stood up and was angry. *I stood up in respect of the President, but this man remained seated!*

⁴² *while still standing*
I explained to the President what transpired between me and this man; about him telling me that he would put in a word with the President for me to become the Minister. Also that he was aware and informed about the meeting with the President. The President rather choose to calm me by telling

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for me to calm down and not to worry. The President never reprimanded the man, nor did he ^{assure me or} ~~come up~~ ^R ~~end up~~ for me. ^{in my defence.}

43(a)

He didn't even look surprised. I was the person made to be the mad one. The President didn't even ^{have} ~~had~~ a meeting with me. He walked me out of the house to the vehicle and saw I walked with crutches. So he told me that if he was aware ^{that I was on crutches} he would have made other arrangements. ^R

^R This ^{43(b)} man interrupted me ^{and} the President by offering him ^R food. The president declined and said he would go and eat next door.

^R As we walked out, the President took my handbag. While this older brother continue sitting. I asked the President why he meet me with these people and in that house. He said that his son is staying next door. He also said that he was sorry.

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I remember that while I was waiting at that house I phoned a friend of mine to arrange a place to sleep because it was becoming late and do not know when I will meet the President.

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None of them informed me how my flight arrangements ^{were for} ~~are~~ back to Cape Town. The same two ^R brothers took me to the airport. On the way to the airport I phoned my friend again that I am on my way to the airport but if I do not get a flight that I will phone her again.

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At the airport I manage to book a flight back through my office. I went home not satisfied having a meeting with the President and with the following questions in mind: why didn't the President ^{find} ~~found~~ it not strange to meet me at that house? How did the President ^{know} ~~knew~~ I was there? Why he was not surprised when I told him what the older brother said about putting in a word with the President to appoint me as Minister? ^{he not}

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^R The same Monday I flew back to Cape Town. The Tuesday I phoned the CEO of SAA and arrange an appointment with her. That same week she came to my office and I asked her how long it will take to cultivate on International Airline Route. She said that the first 4 x years capital are invested ^{would} ~~will~~ (putting in money) from the fifth year up till the ninth/ten year you break even, and only making profit there-after. Then I told her that some-one approached me to influence SAA to close the route between India and SA. ¹²

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She said it was SA main and most profitable route and that it would not make sense economic sense to close that route. Then it made sense to me. ^{just}

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announced a cabinet
Later the same week the President made the re-shuffling by replacing Ms Barbara Hogan with Mr Malusi Gigaba as the Minister of Public Enterprises. *This is what the senior Gupta*
Mr Broome had told me would happen. Mr. Gigaba was
probably appointed because I refused the offer. I don't know
if he was given the same offer.
I also remember that just after I made it public that the Guptas had offered me a Ministerial post if I gave them the SAA/Indian Route, Ms Barbara Hogan confirmed in a radio show that she too was put under a lot of pressure. *to meet with the Guptas regarding an Airline.*
When she was still Minister of Public Enterprises to meet with the Guptas to discuss airline matters with them. Me and her never met eye to eye, we were not in close relationship. *Our relationship as Minister and Chair of Prasa*
was mostly adversarial. She was uncomfortable with
how I held her as a member of Cabinet Accountable

Ministers do not like to be held accountable by Parliament; but still she separately confirmed the Indian Route Airline story, but she was pressurised for the same matter. *The Airline of SAA*
stopped flying the Indian route when Mr. Gigaba
was minister. The Gupta Airline started running that
same route.
Later Mr Gigaba was replaced by Ms Lin Brown Mr Gigaba was appointed as Minister of Home affairs. The newly appointed Minister of Public Enterprises dealt with DENEL. She suspended the CEO and two other senior people at Denel. Just after their suspension the Denel Deal with the Guptas Company went through. No reason was given to the public for their suspension.

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I recall also that I called the then CEO and the Chairperson of Pebble Bed Modular Reactor (Nu-Clear plant) to my office in Cape Town. I asked them further questions, arounds the Nu-Clear Plant. They gave me the impression that it was a waist of time and money to close down P.B.M.R., I called the then CEO and Chair of PBMR to my house twice also. *They were as frustrated as I was on the matter*

It is under Minister Lin Brown that the corrupt partnerships between Denel, VR-LAZER, and OAKBAY as well as Shivi-Uranium were cemented. Under her Denel Asia was formed with VR-LAZER, but Denel carries the capital and financial burden for that venture, but the main profit maker at that company is the Gupta Family Company. *The Deals of DENEL, ESKOM*

IDC all started in 2010. They continue to date.

Like-wise an arms manufacturing factory was opened in ^{Saudi} Saudi Arabia again for the profit, namely of the Gupta company and the President's son, Duduzane.

Interestingly, Minister
Gigaba, whose line-function is Home Affairs and has
nothing to do with Arms Procurement, was in Saudi Arabia too.
In all the Gupta Companies mentioned in the statement, the President son (Duduzane Zuma) is a shareholder. *He features in all companies of the Guptas*
and their dealings with ESKOM, DENEL, PRASA,
SAA and other State-Owned Companies.

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Interestingly, Minister M Gigaba was present in Saudi Arabia when the arm manufacturing factory was opened by Denel and the President meanwhile his line-function of Home Affairs has nothing to do with the arms manufacturing.

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The Minister of Mineral Resources and Mining was also a constant factor and denominator in negotiating the IDC-Loan, the Denel-Asia Venture as well as the Saudi Arabia arms manufacturing factory was opened. He is reported and confirmed that he flew to Dubai in December where he met with the Gupta brothers. The President was also in Dubai at the time of the meeting of Minister of Resource and Mining and Minister (Minerals) with the Guptas. *12*

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According to the media reports the Gupta family moved to Dubai. *(They are now back in SA)*

exa)
I am off the conclusion that the Gupta family, the son of the President and ~~some ministers whom I~~ *CEO's of Eskom; DENEL and Defence Force* have named in this statement as well as the President to a certain extent. All have a corrupt relationship that gives unfair advantage to the Gupta family and their associates at the expense of the State using state resources and agencies all the way for their own benefit.

(b) Mr Brian Molefe, CEO of Eskom funded the Gupta family R283 m for supplying Eskom with inferior quality coal.

From the onset the year of the first Local Government Election after 1994 Mr Chauke, current ANC MP; reported to me that he met the Gupta brothers in a garage which they rented in Bedford view Johannesburg. As they were doing door to door campaign for the ANC.

(b) Mr Brian Molefe Funded the Gupta companies and their Breakfast show while (b) he was still at TRANSNET.

The Gupta-brothers requested to be introduced to the leadership of the ANC and of Government in Luthuli House. They specifically wanted to meet President Mandela, Deputy President Thabo Mbeki and Minister Issop Pahad for this introduction they were willing to donate R50 000.00 for the ANC for election purposes.

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Eventually they manage to meet with Minister Issop Pahad in Luthuli House and they did donate R50 000.00. and they were introduced to Eiso P Pahad, who *late*

appointed one of them to a certain Board.

To date Issop Pahad is still having relationship with them and he is responsible for the content of their journal called "THE THINKER". He was also responsible for putting a Gupta Brother in the board of Proudly South African Government Entity / Agency. That is all I want to state, but I do request criminal investigation in this matter.

65 (b)

The Guptas boasted in the media at the time when Deputy President Zuma was fired that they were supporting him financially.

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~~that~~ I am laying charges against the Gupta Family, their
sa b) companies, CEOs, DENEL,
IDC, Eskom, son of President
I know and understand the content of this declaration. I have no objection to take the prescribed oath. I consider the prescribed oath as binding on my conscience. So help me God. Duduzane

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Vytjie Mentor
March 18, 2016 Cape Town

I chaired the ANC National Parliamentary Caucus when President Zuma was a Deputy President. He sat next to me and spoke through me and and with me in Caucus each Thursday when Parliament was in session. I sat with him in the ANC's Political Committee each month too. He is the one who was sent by the TOP 6 then to tell me that the ANCC has deploied me to be the Chair of Caucus then. He is the one who introduced me to the ANC Caucus then as a new Chair of Caucus. I had a bi-monthly with him in his Tuynhuis Offices then. He knew me right from when he arrived from exile. He met me frequently on the ground in the Northern Cape on many occasions. I know President Mbeki and Kgalema Motlanthe will never ever say they have no recollection of me. As for the Guptas. I am not done yet. a lot still need to be told... will leave this here for now. I will only talk to the media if necessary from Friday late. The scoundrels can continue to insult and bark. If anything happens to me or my family, you all know who to suspect. I am NOT scared thou. I know my Redeemer Lives!

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August 8, 2016 at 7:01 PM

Protest as Prez Zuma Speaks at IEC event.



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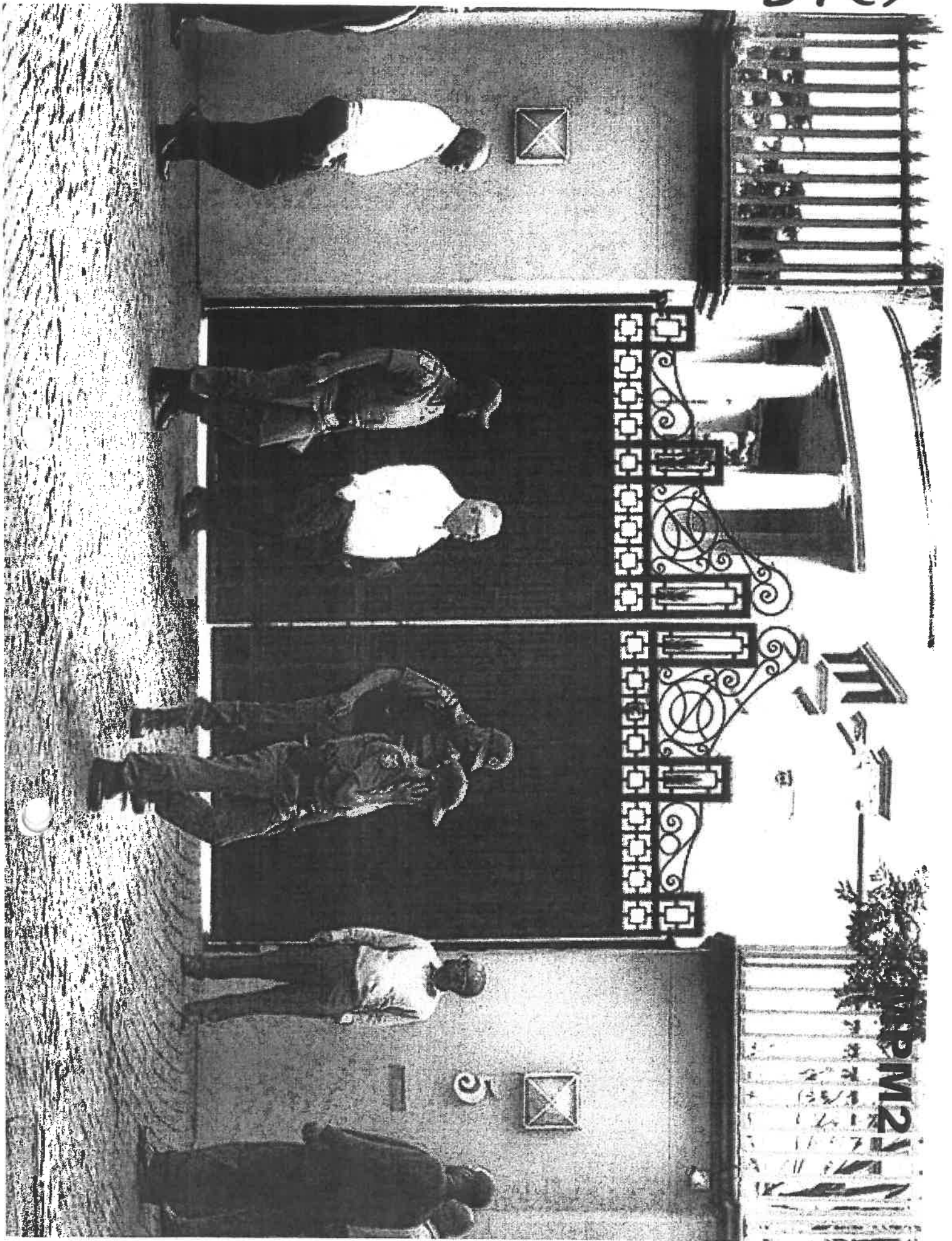
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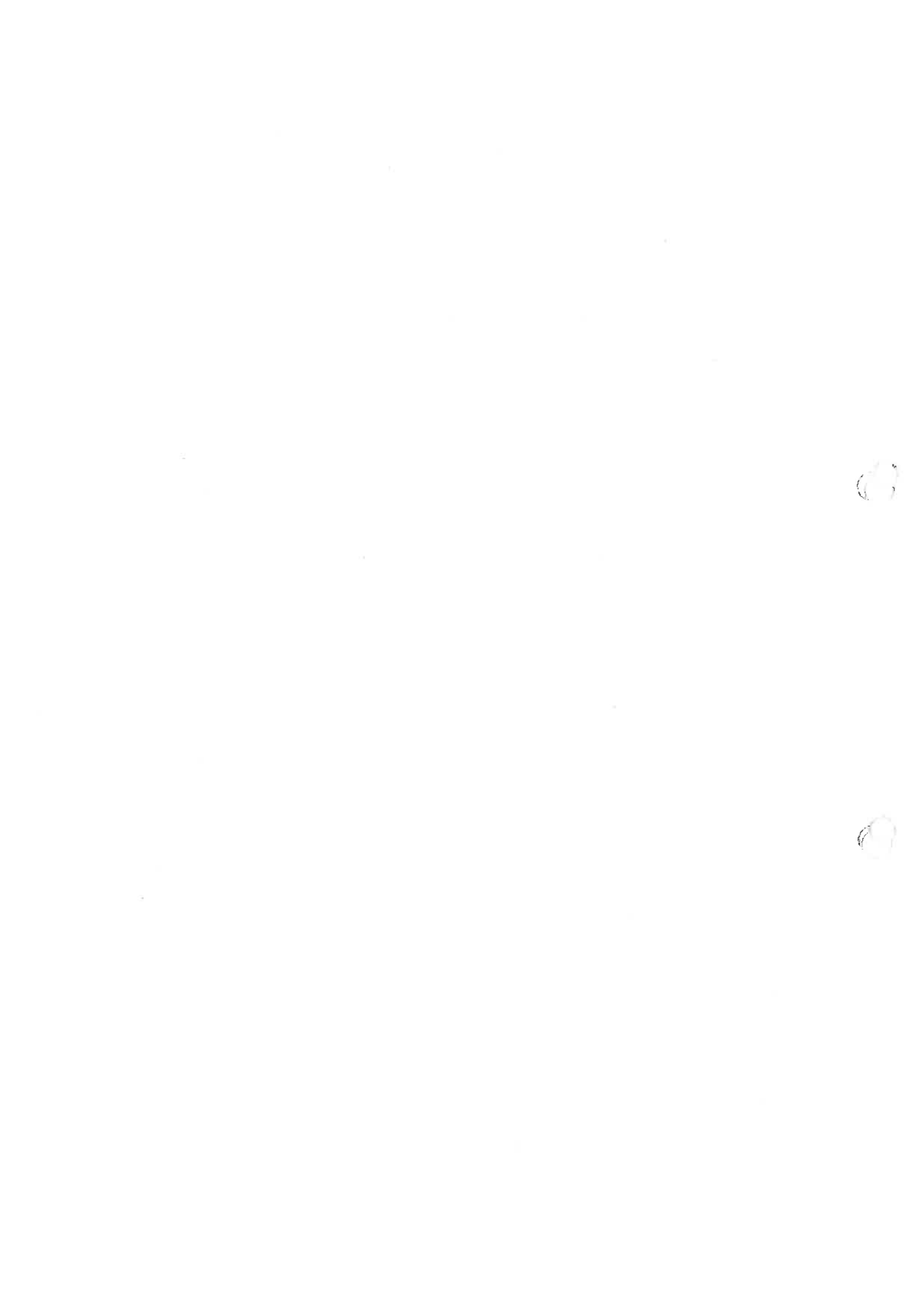
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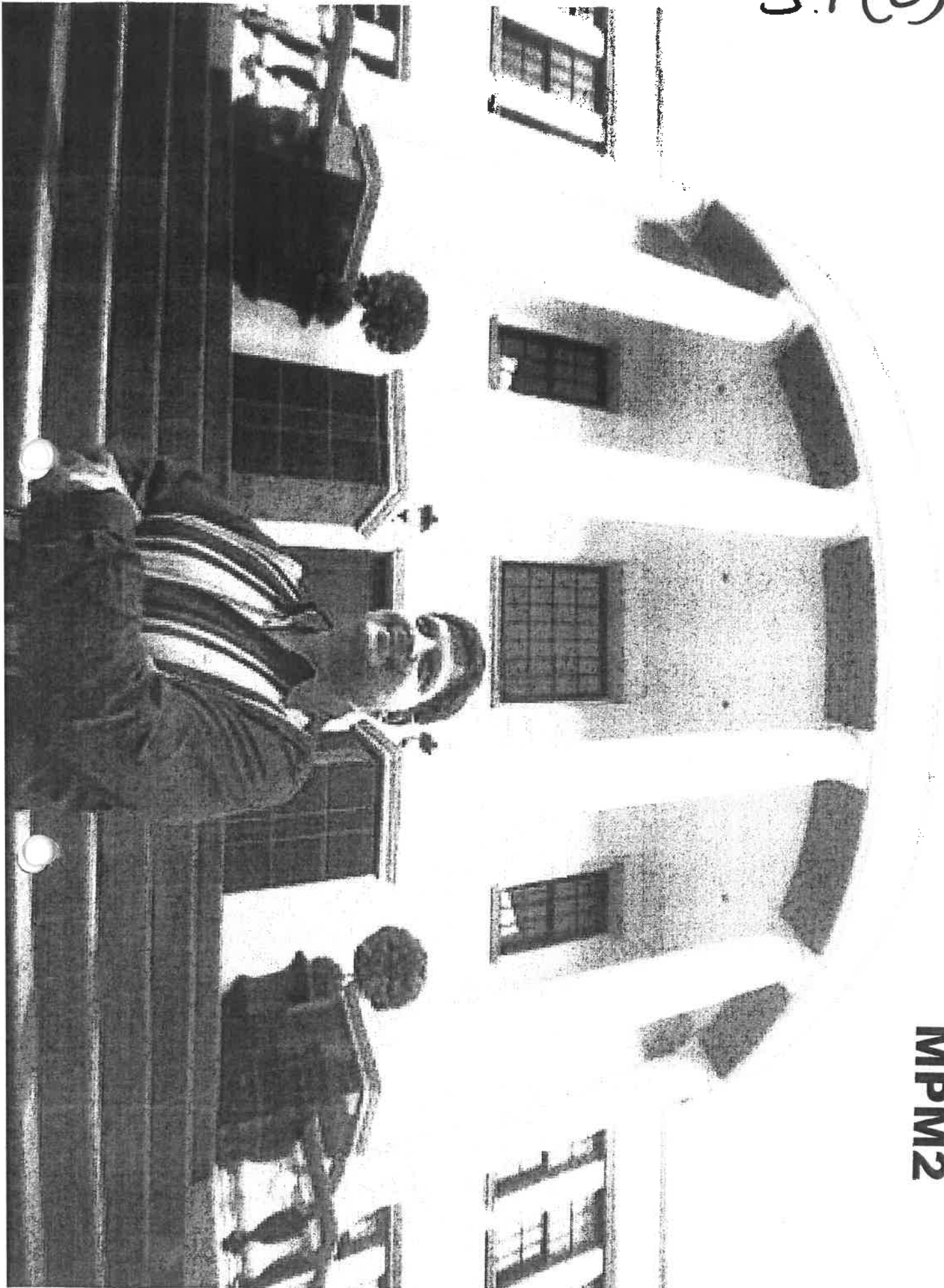
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**Johann Abrie**

March 21, 2016 at 5:44 AM

to correct its ways. You can do that by voting for an opposition party this year. Only that can break the arrogance of the Zuma/Gupta Business Joint Venture which is busy to bankrupt our country.

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**Johann Abrie**

February 2, 2016 at 9:35 AM

Great cartoon. The former greats of the liberation struggle frown upon the de-facto Prime Minister of Zuma's ANC. Atul Gupta



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**Johann Abrie**

March 12, 2016 at 7:57 PM

Nene will work at the Boks Bank when he fired him as Minister of Finance to install the Gupta's choice Des van Rooyen in December. It looks like the former Governor of the Reserve Bank Tito Mboweni will.

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**Johann Abrie**

March 14, 2016

The Minister of Finance did not confirm or deny the fact that the Gupta brothers approached his deputy, Mcebisi Jonas for the job as Finance Minister.

For those of you able to read between the lines, this means that deputy minister Jonas is the second person (after the Minister of Sport Fikile Mbelula) who were approached by the Guptas for a job as Minister instead of by President Zuma.

It is now clear that Zuma abdicated his job of appointing Ministers to the Guptas.



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Bart Naidoo When will the ANC wake up? When they change the name of our country to "guptastan"

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Kagiso Bra O Monyadiwa Welcome to the #Guptastan

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-  **Deon Smit** There is a third Gupta appointment! The Minister of Mineral Resources
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-  **Vytjie Mentor** But they had previously asked me to become Minister of Public Enterprises when Barbara Hogen got the chop, provided that I would drop the SAA flight-route to India and give to them. I refused and so I was never made a Minister. The President was in another room when they offered me this in Saxonwold.
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-  **Johann Abrie** Dear God Aunty Vytjie. Please tell me you are joking
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-  **Onkgopotse J.J. Tabane** cde Mentor can I please interview you on this on my show tonight briefly .. please .. call me if u are willing to repeat this on air 0826968666
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-  **Lily Bashe** Yhooyho! Would love to hear this sort from Ginger.
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-  **Johan Jansen van Vuuren** Hier kom n Ding !!!
See Translation 2y
-  **Vusi Thabane** The-General Mahlangu And he, Gordon said my silence is the answer to everything. Meaning that everything is true.
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-  **Ken Le Roux** The Americans eventually caught Al Capone on tax evasion. Perhaps that is why the Guptas want to control SARS. They don't want to be caught with their income declarations down. The surest way to follow the money trail between the Zumas and the Guptas is through Revenue Services and the registrar of companies
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 **Johann Abrie**
March 21, 2016 at 8:45 PM

Ajay and Rajesh Gupta. I know it will be almost impossible to cheer you up tonight, but let me try nonetheless. Out of 19 DA municipalities polled, 16 of them had a turnaround time of less than 1 week.




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March 16, 2016 at 8:29 AM

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March 15, 2016

BREAKING NEWS - BREAKING NEWS

When Barbara Hogen was kicked out as Minister of Public Enterprises, the Gupta brothers invited former portfolio committee chairperson Vytjie Mentor to their palace in Saxonwold, Johannesburg.

The Guptas then offered Ms. Mentor the position as Minister of Public Enterprises on the condition that she would drop the SAA flight route to India and give it to them.

The Guptas did that, and wait for this - WHILE PRESIDENT JACOB GEDLEYIHLIKISA ZUMA WAS SITTING IN ANOTHER ROOM IN THE SAME HOUSE.

Ms. Mentor refused the conditions attached to the offer and President Zuma subsequently did not give her the job.

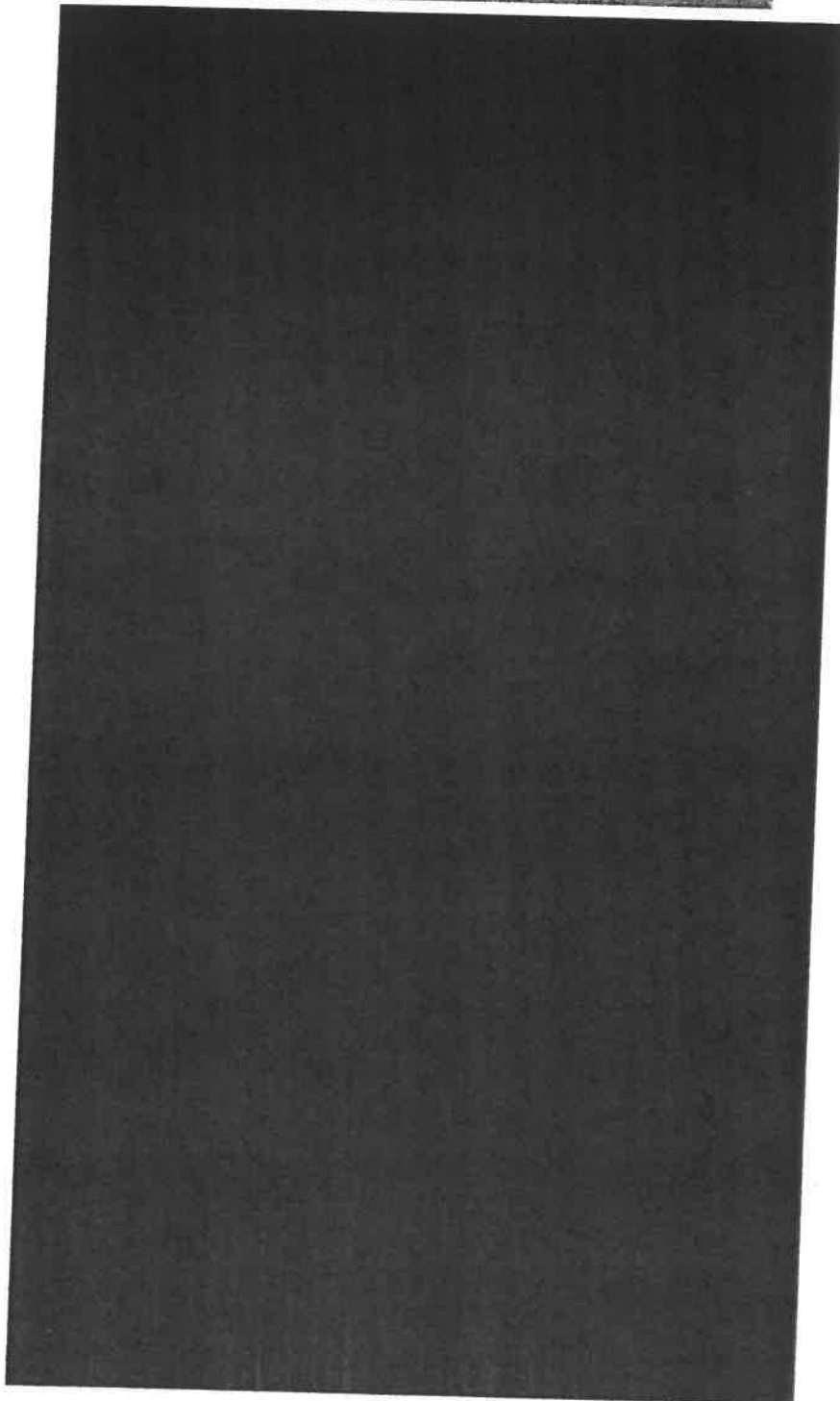
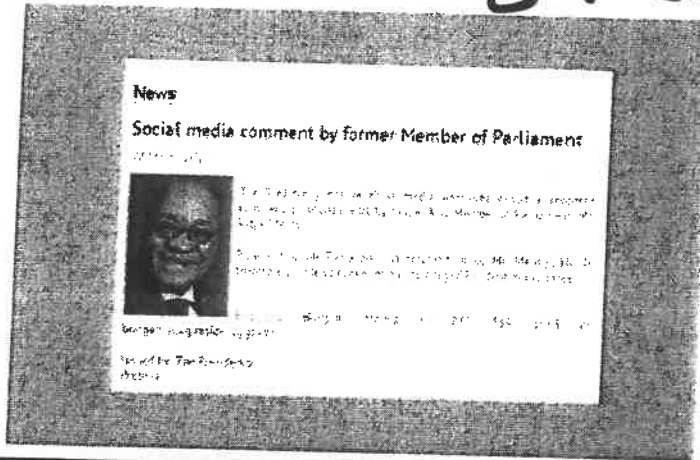
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Vytjie Mentor updated her status.
October 10, 2016 at 6:31 PM

Dear Zuma. I spoke to the PP. I revealed things about You and about your
folly relationship with the Guplas through your son. I can go one-on-one
with you on a publicly televised hearing only AFTER the

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Vytjie Mentor
March 18, 2015 Cape Town

I chaired the ANC National Parliamentary Caucus when President Zuma
was a Deputy President. He sat next to me and spoke through me and and
with me in Caucus each Thursday when Parliament was in session. I sat
with him in the ANC's Political Committee each month too. He is the one who
was sent by the TOP 6 then to tell me that the ANCC has depleted me to be
the Chair of Caucus then. He is the one who introduced me to the ANC
Caucus then as a new Chair of Caucus. I had a bi-monthly with him in his
Tuynhuis Offices then. He knew me right from when he arrived from exile.
He met me frequently on the ground in the Northern Cape on many
occasions. I know President Mbeki and Kgalema Mollathe will never ever
say they have no recollection of me. As for the Guplas, I am not done yet, a
lot still need to be told... will leave this here for now. I will only talk to the
media if necessary from Friday late. The scoundrels can continue to insult
and bark. If anything happens to me or my family, you all know who to
suspect. I am NOT scared thou. I know my Redeemer Lives!

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Vytjie Mentor
August 5, 2016 at 7:01 PM

Protest as Prez Zuma Speaks at IEC event.



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Vytjie Mentor
June 21, 2016 at 12:21 PM

GET THIS * President Zuma and the NPA have been BARRED from
proceeding to the Supreme Court of Appeal to further Appeal there * The
Court has EFFECTIVELY reinstated the Charges against President
Zuma.

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Vytjie Mentor updated her status.
October 28, 2016 at 2:45 PM

President Zuma has just contradicted Min. Masutha in the NCOP. Masutha
claimed yesterday that Shaun Abrahams had briefed him and the President
days before Pravin Gordhan was charged. The Prez just said.

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Vytjie Mentor
September 16, 2016 at 5:17 PM

Zuma must shut up and stop stealing

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Vytjie Mentor
July 20, 2015 at 9:28 PM

Me and my Family will be voting for the ANC as usual. The ANC is not
President Zuma

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Vytjie Mentor

March 17, 2018 Cape Town

President Zuma was in that Gupta house with me on that day. He came in after I rejected the offer. He accompanied me down the 4/5/6 marble (covered) wide stairs at the entrance of the Gupta house to their black twin-cab with heavily black-tinted windows which taking me back to the airport. I was on crutches. It was about 5-7 days or so before Barbara Hogan was reshuffled as a Minister of Public Enterprises. The rest I will reveal at the right time.

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Vytjie Mentor

November 6, 2016 at 10:45 PM

In this way the depth of how the Gupta corrupted our political system is being protected from further exposure.

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Vytjie Mentor updated her status.

October 28, 2016 at 10:14 AM

He must tell us why he provided a letter-head and his own signature to facilitate the landing of the Gupta Jet at Waterkloof to validate that landing as "Government Business". They must not play games.

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Vytjie Mentor

April 21, 2016 at 12:41 PM Cape Town

The ANCYL move on Gupta employees is very SUSPECT. The ANCWL call for Government to start Banking with the Post Office Bank is also very SUSPECT. This call was immediately supported by the Chair of Com...

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Vytjie Mentor

October 4, 2018 at 5:56 PM

Today I cooked Indian cuisine Gupta-style, you know mas?



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Vytjie Mentor

May 30, 2016 at 6:01 PM

The sheer arrogance of the Guptas, our President and Cabinet to strong-lackle banks into reopening the Gupta accounts smacks of abuse of power and is actually against international banking regulations...

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Vytjie Mentor

July 25, 2016 at 5:59 PM

Unfortunately Minister Lynn Gupta-Brown of Public-Gupta-Enterprises is the one who will appoint the new SAA Gupta Board.

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Vytjie Mentor

July 27, 2016 at 3:47 PM

We all know that Andile Mxilima is on the Gupta family payroll. We know what his agenda entails.

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I'm an adult female ID [REDACTED], resides at [REDACTED] with contact numbers [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

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I am sober and with my full conscious. My home language is Setswana but speaks English, Afrikaans and Zulu fluently. I also do speak a bit Xhosa. I am comfortable making this statement in English.

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Since 1998; 1999, 2000; 2001 until August 2002. I was an official in the Department of Education, and Councilor in the Northern Cape. I am an ANC member.

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After August 2002 I became a member of the Parliament. When I arrived at Parliament I functioned under Public Services and Administration and also serve under the Portfolio for Education. During this period I received three (3) times promotion.

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From 2004 until 2009 I became the ANC: (1) ^{SP} Coccus Parliamentary Chair Person (2) ^{Member} Chairperson: Joint Standing Committee on Intelligence for Parliament (3) ^{Member} Chairperson: Rules Committee of Parliament; (4) Chairperson of Public Enterprises. *R*

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Due to my positions I was entrusted with, I was exposed ^{to get} and experienced sensitive matters. *Phenik*

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The DENEL-Company ^{currently} resorted under me; in fact all state owned companies ^{currently} resorted under me. Meaning I was overseeing together with the Committee ^{currently} resorting under me.

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Denel is a state-owned Arms Manufacturing Company which was at a stage one of the most stable companies, meaning highly profitable and best run.

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The Gupta brothers are co-owners/partners of Denel. This I can state factually because of the following reasons: The Gupta Brothers approached the Industrial Development Cooperation (IDC) and borrow and or make a loan to establish a company that will partner with DENEL. The amount borrowed was 2000 Million Rand. *R283 m*

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This money was paid out to them. The Guptas was supposed to service the loan amount immediately. For + 18 months they didn't do it. R300 million became R350 million that the Guptas Brothers owed the IDC. They used the money to buy OAKBAY Investments which gave birth to SHIVI URANIUM and VR-LAZOR.

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SHIVI URANIUM specializes in uranium, but also supplies ESCOM with Coles. VR-LAZER specialises in cutting steel. *another Gupta Company* *Pmentor*

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The Gupta Brothers then, because of the debt of R350 million, arrange a meeting with the IDC and made a deal with the IDC. The deal was then that the IDC will become shareholders of VR-LAZOR for a percentage of 3, 4 shares. *(This now turns out to be a me 2+%)*

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The IDC then cancelled the debt, because VR-LAZER will cut steel for the project of manufacturing army vehicles in South Africa. There-after the Defence Force and or Army paid an amount of ten (10) billion rand upfront to VR-LAZER for the building of cutting steel for army vehicles still to be produced.

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still
In this time frame a Mr Igbal Surty was the Chief Director within the Department of Trade and Industry. He was the central player and was close with Minister Rob Davis, the Minister of Trade and Industry. Mr Igbal Surty was also closely related to the Gupta Brothers. *Delite*

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VR-LAZER together with DENEL went to Asia, Hong Kong where they did contracts of which I have no knowledge. *They opened an office in Asia, largely funded by DENEL*

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Denel Denel has capability to manufacture any sorts of arms and ammunition including vehicle aircrafts, etc, that has to do with defence. *The Gupta Company has no such capability* *Pmentor*

18 (a)

SHIVI-URANIUM was strategically placed to supply uranium to the Government for the Nuclear energy Plant that will still be build. *18 (b)* *h*

In their House at Saxonworld in 2010, The Gupta Brothers asked me about Uranium deposits in The Northern Cape where I came from. They/He said they were interested in mining Uranium. *1230*

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After becoming aware of all this this information, I came to the conclusion that there are discrepancies and irregularities which I didn't agreed with. They also established arms manufacturing plant in Sohides Arabia.

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I believe that corruption plays a definite part/role between the Gupta - brothers and government (identified government ministers and employees mentioned in this statement).

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During this period I became aware that the PEBBEL BED MODULAR REACTOR: A mini test Nu-Clear Station located in ~~Phelindaba~~ Pretoria, must be closed down. This I was very unhappy with, for we were going to lose the Intellectual Property + Human Resource we built there.

I then arranged a meeting with the Minister of Energy and share with her my concerns when the Mini Testing Nu-clear Station will be closed.

I raised my concerns with the IP (Intellectual Property) and Human Resources we would lose should we mothball/close down PBMR.

At that stage the Government already spend R8 billion Rand; Development Human Resources, it was a product already producing, Intellectuals Property Right (Westing House, an American Company who was in partnership with the government) was also eyeing the IP (Intellectual

Property Rights). We were losing Human Capital.

The Minister didn't commit herself but advise me to meet with the president (Jacob Zuma) and discussed it with him. I decided to follow her advice.

25 (a)

I struggle for two (2) months to arrange a meeting with the President. I went to the Twin Hills with a letter requesting a meeting. I followed protocol in arranging the meeting. I also phoned Ms Luthuli Kaunda at Luthuli House. eventually (25b)

I also phoned Luthuli House repeatedly to get an Appointment with the President.

After spoken to Mr L Kaunda, she made contact with me on a Sunday evening after ten on my official phone. She just informed me that the person will, phone me with regards to my meeting with the President together with the arrangements. That was to be for the next day, which was a Monday.

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Shortly after her call, a person phoned me. The person who contact me was a male. He told me that I must take the plane the following Monday at 06:00 at Cape Town International.

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I was worried, because I was on crutches and asked the man how will I travel. He assured me that my flight was already booked and transport is sorted out. i.e. From the Airport to the President. He said 2 men will meet me and identify themselves at the Airport. ^{Phen}

The Monday I took the flight as discussed. When I arrived at Johannesburg International (OR Tambo), two males dressed in black was waiting for me. They wear dark glasses with ear-pieces and was driving a black double cab bakkie / vehicle. I thought they were Presidential Security or Drivers. ^{Phen}

I got into the vehicle and was expecting to be driven to the Union Building in Pretoria where I was to meet with the President. In fact they drove to SAHARA. They stopped there and I assumed that they were collecting something. Instead they asked me to go with them to say "hello" to someone. So I go with them. Inside I wait in a small waiting area at the end of a long corridor and was told that the person is busy on the phone. ^{Phen}

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Finally I went to meet this person and he was introduced to me as the oldest brother. By now I know all three of them are Indians. I observed the following from the oldest brother: He is obese / fat shorter than the other two, but was wearing a big brilliant gold ring with a red ruby in the index finger. ^{of the Complex}

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He talked to me about my family, asked me about my children. I told him that my son is playing cricket for Western Province. He then offered to buy a cricket bat but I told him that at that stage I already bought my son a new cricket bat made of English Wood. He then suggested that I could ask them for a bat next time. He also said they owned a Suite at the New ³³ Land Cricket Stadium. He said I could go there whenever I want. ^{Phen}

This oldest brother then continues by offering me access to a suite at Newlands Cricket grounds when-ever there was a cricket game and I can take my son with. This man then told me that I am a famous person and it was a privilege for him to meet me. He knew what my position was and also knew that I had an appointment with the President. He knew I was a chair of the ³⁴ Portfolio of Public Enterprises. He said I was good at my work. ^{Phen}

He then hinted that the President was not available yet because he at that stage attend to a meeting at Luthuli House. I became agitated and impatient, because it was very strange to me that this man knows about my visit and seems to know the whereabouts of the President. I was now getting unsettled and uncomfortable. ³⁵

I have never met any of them previously, that day was my first time. We spend +45 minutes at SAHARA. From there, we drove and I thought we are going straight to the Union Building for my meeting with the President. ^{Phen}

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Instead of going there, they drove to big Cluster Mansion with +5 big houses. It was a private complex. I will be able to identify the house because it wasn't finished at that stage. ^{especially inside} There was a big pillar not finished yet and other small structures not yet finished. I remember the cream marble steps. They took me to a foyer that was very big with two coaches where I had to wait. They told me that the older brother will come to meet me again.

first time house was a beige-cream outside at that time

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Also, showed me where the bathroom was and asked if I wanted something to eat and drink. I was served with Chai tea with naan bread and curry. By then I was upset and not feeling well, there-for I didn't enjoy the food.

The young Indian Chef who was wearing a white vest served me. He did not speak English

Later the older brother arrived and ^{sat} on the other coach. We talked just there. He mentioned the following: "as the Chair Person of the Public Enterprises if I am aware that Denel are for the past 4 years having legal problems in India" I pretend not being aware, because I wanted to know more about this man (oldest brother) he then said that he can help. They are the Gupta brothers (family). He also touched on my agenda with the President. I was very surprised and angry. He claimed that they are very closed to the Indian government as the Gupta brothers.

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He continues and spoke about the SAA Airline Route between South Africa and India. He wants me to commit myself by making a deal that I will influence SAA to stop flying the South African Route between SA and India. He go on and said: 'you could be a Minister of Public Enterprises in a weeks' time when the President will reshuffles cabinet and removes the current (the then Minister) of public Enterprises (Barbara Hogan). He also spoke about the PEBBLE-RED -

MODULAR REACTOR! The very matter I wanted to see the President for. He said it was closed. But at the same time he said he was looking into mining Uranium.

I asked him how he will do it. He responded that he will put in a word with the President to appoint me. I was doubtful and he could see it. So he said that they have done it previously I must just play along, meaning I must agree to influence SAA to stop the route.

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I got very angry and raise my voice. I request, in a loud voice to be taken back to the airport. I never at any stage commit and/or agree to any of his proposals. At that moment the President entered the foyer from the back of me. I stood up and was angry. I stood up in respect of the President, but this man remained seated!

whilst still standing
I explained to the President what transpired between me and this man; about him telling me that he would put in a word with the President for me to become the Minister. Also that he was aware and informed about the meeting with the President. The President rather choose to calm me by telling

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from me to calm down and not to worry. The President never reprimanded the man, nor did he ^{assure me or} ~~come up~~ ^{for me.} ~~in my defence.~~ ^R

43 (A)

He didn't even look surprised. I was the person made to be the mad one. The President didn't even ^{have} ~~had~~ a meeting with me. He walked me out of the house to the vehicle and say I walked with crutches. So he told me that if he was aware ^{that I was on crutches} he would have made other arrangements. ^R

43(b)

This man interrupted me ^{and} the President by offering ^{him} food. The president ~~declined~~ ^{that I was on crutches} and said he would go and eat next door. ^R

As we walked out, the President took my handbag. While this older brother continue sitting. I asked the President why he meet me with these people and in that house. He said that his son is staying next door. He also said that he was sorry. ^R

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I remember that while I was waiting at that house I phoned a friend of mine to arrange a place to sleep because it was becoming late and do not know when I will meet the President.

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None of them informed me how my flight arrangements ^{were for} are back to Cape Town. The same two ^R brothers took me to the airport. On the way to the airport I phoned my friend again that I am on my way to the airport but if I do not get a flight that I will phone her again.

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At the airport I manage to book a flight back through my office. I went home not satisfied having a meeting with the President and with the following questions in ^{my} mind: why didn't the President ^{find} ~~found~~ it not strange to meet me at that house? How did the President ^{know} ~~knew~~ I was there? Why he was ^{not} ~~not~~ surprised when I told him what the older brother said about putting in a word with the President to appoint me as Minister? ^R

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The same Monday I flew back to Cape Town. The Tuesday I phoned the CEO of SAA and arrange an appointment with her. That same week she came to my office and I asked her how long it will take to cultivate on international Airline Route. She said that the first 4 x years capital are invested ^{would} ~~will~~ (putting in money) from the fifth year up till the ninth/ten year you break even, and only making profit there-after. Then I told her that some-one approached me to influence SAA to close the route between India and SA. ^R

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She said it was SA main and most profitable route and that it would not make sense economic sense, to close that route. Then it made sense to me. ^R

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announced a cabinet
Later the same week the President made the re-shuffling by replacing Ms Barbara Hogan with Mr Malusi Gigaba as the Minister of Public Enterprises. This is what the senior Gupta brothers had told me would happen. Mr. Gigaba was probably appointed because I refused the offer. I don't know if he was given the same offer.
I also remember that just after I made it public that the Guptas had offered me a Ministerial post if I gave them the SAA/Indian Route, Ms Barbara Hogan confirmed in a radio show that she too was put under a lot of pressure. When she was still Minister of Public Enterprises to meet with the Guptas to discuss airline matters with them. Me and her never met eye to eye, we were not in close relationship. Our relationship as Minister and Chair of Portfolio was mostly adversarial. She was uncomfortable with how I held her as a member of Cabinet Accountable.
Ministers do not like to be held accountable by Parliament; but still she separately confirmed the Indian Route Airline story, but she was pressurised for the same matter. The Airline of SAA stopped flying the Indian route when Mr. Gigaba was minister. The Gupta Airline started running that same route.
Later Mr Gigaba was replaced by Ms Lin Brown Mr Gigaba was appointed as Minister of Home Affairs. The newly appointed Minister of Public Enterprises dealt with DENEL. She suspended the CEO and two other senior people at Denel. Just after their suspension the Denel Deal with the Guptas Company went through. No reason was given to the public for their suspension.

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I recall also that I called the then CEO and the Chairperson of Pebble Bed Modular Reactor (Nu-Clear plant) to my office in Cape Town. I asked them further questions, arounds the Nu-Clear Plant. They gave me the impression that it was a waist of time and money to close down P.B.M.R., I called the then CEO and Chair of BMR to my house twice also. They were as frustrated as I was on the matter.
It is under Minister Lin Brown that the corrupt partnerships between Denel, VR-LAZER, and OAKBAY as well as Shivi-Uranium were cemented. Under her Denel Asia was formed with VR-LAZER, but Denel carries the capital and financial burden for that venture, but the main profit maker at that company is the Gupta Family Company. The Deals of DENEL, ESKOM, IDC all started in 2010. They continue to date.

Like-wise an arms manufacturing factory was opened in Saudi Arabia again for the profit, namely of the Gupta company and the President's son, Duduzane. Interestingly, Minister

Gigaba whose line-function is Home Affairs and has nothing to do with Arms Procurement was in Saudi Arabia too. In all the Gupta Companies mentioned in the statement, the President son (Duduzane Zuma) is a shareholder. He features in all companies of the Guptas and their dealings with ESKOM, DENEL, PRASA, SAA and other State-Owned Companies.

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Interestingly, Minister M Gigaba was present in Sohadi Arabia when the arm manufacturing factory was opened by Denel and the President meanwhile his line-function of Home Affairs has nothing to do with the arms manufacturing.

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The Minister of Mineral Resources and Mining was also a constant factor and denominator in negotiating the IDC-Loan, the Denel-Asia Venture as well as the Soadi Arabia arms manufacturing factory was opened. He is reported and confirmed that he flew to Dubai in December where he met with the Gupta brothers. The President was also in Dubai at the time of the meeting of Minister of Resource and Mining and Minister (Minerals) with the Guptas. *12*

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According to the media reports the Gupta family moved to Dubai. *(They are now back in SA)*

65(a)
I am off the conclusion that the Gupta family, the son of the President and some ministers whom I have named in this statement as well as the President to a certain extent All have a corrupt relationship that gives unfair advantage to the Gupta family and their associates at the expense of the State using state resources and agencies all the way for their own benefit. *CEOs of Eskom; DENEL and Defence Force*

61(b) Mr Brian Molefe, CEO of Eskom funded the Gupta family *R 283 - for supplying Eskom with inferior quality coal.*

From the onset the year of the first Local Government Election after 1994 Mr Chauke, current ANC MP; reported to me that he met the Gupta brothers in a garage which they rented in Bedford view Johannesburg: As they were doing door to door campaign for the ANC.

62(a) Mr Brian Molefe Funded the Gupta companies and their Breakfast show while *63(b)* he was still at TRANSNET. *fr*

The Gupta-brothers requested to be introduced to the leadership of the ANC and of Government in Luthuli House. They specifically wanted to meet President Mandela, Deputy President Thabo Mbeki and Minister Issop Pahad for this introduction they were willing to donate R50 000.00 for the ANC for election purposes.

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Eventually they manage to meet with Minister Issop Pahad in Luthuli House and they did donate R50 000.00, and they were introduced to Issop Pahad, who later appointed one of them to a certain Board. *65(a)*

To date Issop Pahad is still having relationship with them and he is responsible for the content of their journal called "THE THINKER". He was also responsible for putting a Gupta Brother in the board of Proudly South African Government Entity / Agency. That is all I want to state, but I do request criminal investigation in this matter. *65(b)*

The Guptas boasted in the media at the time when Deputy President Zuma was fired that they were supporting him financially. *1236*

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*Like I am laying charge against the Gupta Family, their
son, companies, CEOs, DENEL,
IDC, Eskom, son of President*
I know and understand the content of this declaration. I have no objection to take the prescribed *Duduzane*
oath. I consider the prescribed oath as binding on my conscience. So help me God.

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I chaired the ANC National Parliamentary Caucus when President Zuma was a Deputy President. He sat next to me and spoke through me and with me in Caucus each Thursday when Parliament was in session. I sat with him in the ANC's Political Committee each month too. He is the one who was sent by the TOP 6 then to tell me that the ANCC has deployed me to be the Chair of Caucus then. He is the one who introduced me to the ANC Caucus then as a new Chair of Caucus. I had a bi-monthly with him in his Tuynhuis Offices then. He knew me right from when he arrived from exile. He met me frequently on the ground in the Northern Cape on many occasions. I know President Mbeki and Kgalema Mollathe will never ever say they have no recollection of me. As for the Guptas, I am not done yet, a lot still need to be told... will leave this here for now. I will only talk to the media if necessary from Friday late. The scoundrels can continue to insult and bark. If anything happens to me or my family, you all know who to suspect. I am NOT scared thou. I know my Redeemer Lives!

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[Opening of Meeting // 21 July 2016]

Adv T Madonsela : Okay, welcome Miss Mentor, to this meeting. Welcome to members of the Public Protector team and we thank you very sincerely for availing yourself for this interview. This is part of extended Hearings, individualised Hearings, as part of a broader investigation into alleged improper conduct, which is said to be unethical conduct by the President of the Republic of South Africa, in allowing members of a family known as the Gupta Family and a company known as Oakbay to control or have a say in the appointment of Ministers and Board Members of Parastatals, including some CEOs.

There has also been an allegation that contracts awarded to the company called Oakbay by Parastatals are irregular and have been corruptly awarded. So basically there is allegations of corruption and unethical ... unethical conduct by the President and the corrupt relationship between the Gupta Family and the President of the Republic of South Africa. We have asked you for assistance based on information we have from the media, that you have some information that can assist us, and you are coming here under subpoena, which was for your own good, that it must be understood that we have subpoenaed you.

Before we proceed, I'm going to ask members of the team to introduce themselves. As you know Madam, I am Adv Thuli Madonsela, Public Protector.

Mr B Dhlamini : I'm Mr Bonginkosi Dhlamini. I'm the Chief of Staff.

Adv N Kanyane : Adv Nkebe Kanyane. I'm currently the Acting Executive Manager in

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the Good Governance & Integrity Branch in the Office of the Public Protector.

Ms V Mentor : Okay, are you a Chief Investigator?

Adv N Kanyane : That is my rank. I'm currently acting as the Executive Manager.

Ms V Mentor : Alright, yes.

Adv L Tshiwalule : Good morning, Madam.

Ms V Mentor : Good morning, Sir.

Adv L Tshiwalule : My name is Livhuwani Tshiwalule. I'm an ...

Ms V Mentor : Duduwane?

Adv L Tshiwalule : Livhuwani.

Ms V Mentor : Oh, Livhuwani?.

Adv L Tshiwalule : Yes, Livhuwani. I'm an Investigator in the Private Office of the Public Protector.

Ms V Mentor : Okay, thanks.

Adv T Madonsela : Thank you. We have started the engagement in such a way that the first part is going to be you telling us what do you know about these allegations? Then two, that the President is corruptly and unethically allowing the Gupta Family to control or have a say in Cabinet appointments and other important status appointments.

Two, that there is a corrupt relationship between the President and the Gupta Family and the Oakbay company, and the related allegation, being that this Oakbay company has been awarded tenders illegally and corruptly, in that basically the tenders didn't ... the contracts didn't go to tender, but apart from that, that they were being favoured because of the corrupt relationship they have with

the President and (*indistinct*), but that is basically that. I'm summarising. The complainants are two-fold. The first complainant is a Catholic group that complained and gave a litany of things, the appointment ... Cabinet appointment, particularly starting with the appointment of the Minister of Finance related to that incident on the 9th of December 2015. The second complaint ... so it is Ministers and others. The related complaint by that Catholic group is ...

Ms V Mentor : Is it Catholic Bishops' Conference?

Adv T Madonsela : No, it is not the Catholic Bishops' Conference.

Ms V Mentor : Oh.

Adv T Madonsela : It is the Catholic ... I left my file, but it is a Catholic Jesuit something and then the second complaint is ... one is appointment, the other one is contract ... the award of contracts to Oakbay and other Gupta related companies. The third one is award of licences to the same family. The name of the ... oh, it is called the Dominican Order, Group of Catholic Priests and Brothers in Southern Africa. So that is the first complaint, which was received on the 15th of May 2015. The second complaint is from the Democratic Alliance.

The complaint from the Democratic Alliance confines itself to the alleged improper conduct or violation of the Executive Ethics Code by the President of South Africa in allowing ... or the Gupta Family to be involved in the appointment of the Minister of Finance and specifically complaining about a said meeting that took place in Saxonwold residence with the Deputy Minister of Finance, in which case Ajay Gupta allegedly offered Mr Jonas the position of Finance

Minister. The DA also alleges that you also posted similar allegations regarding being summoned to Saxonwold and the same Ajay Gupta offering you a position as Minister of Public Enterprises, on condition that you close the South African Airways route to India. The investigation is accordingly being conducted in terms of two statutes, the Executive Members Ethics Act, which requires us to investigate whether we want to or don't want to, because of the alleged unethical conduct by the President.

We are also investigating in terms of the Public Protector Act, which gives the Public Protector discretionary power to investigate or not to investigate, but given the fact that we already were compelled to investigate under the Executive Members Ethics Act, there was no point in using discretionary power not to investigate under the Public Protector Act. So we are doing a compiled investigation, which is into the appointments and into the specific offer to you, and lastly, anything you may know about contracts that were requested or corruptly requested, or awarded to Oakbay or any Gupta related company. That would be the approach.

Then the investigation team has prepared specific questions that will help us concretise the picture in the event that whatever you are going to draw for us might fill some gaps. So over to you, Madam Mentor. Just to say that unfortunately because we have called you under subpoena we have to put you under oath. Do you have an oath on file? Okay, Miss Mentor, can we just ... do you have any objection to taking the oath?

1 Ms V Mentor : No, Madam.

2 Adv T Madonsela : Do you ...

3 Adv N Kanyane : Consider it binding on your conscience?

4 Ms V Mentor : Yes. Yes, the one that says, "So help me God"?

5 Adv T Madonsela : Yes, right.

6 Adv N Kanyane : Do you then swear that the evidence you are going to give here today
7 will be the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth? If so,
8 raise your right hand and say, "So help me God"?

9 Ms V Mentor : So help me God.

10 Adv T Madonsela : Thank you. You may proceed then. We won't interrupt you. We will
11 just take notes as you proceed and when you have given us just a
12 broad overview, then we will ask you some questions, so that we
13 don't interrupt your trend of thought.

14 Ms V Mentor : Thank you, Madam Public Protector and your personnel. It is a great
15 pleasure to be invited to state what I know. I have had years to
16 examine the issues in my head. I have read a lot, because these
17 matters that we meet about today had been prickling my conscience.
18 I had dared long time ago and decided that one day a moment of
19 opportune would emerge and allow me space and time to assist to
20 correct wrongdoing, as I had seen it.

21 Firstly Madam, I would like to inform this meeting that I had
22 made a statement to the Detectives Unit of the Western Cape, that
23 was forwarded to the Hawks and the Hawks had come to rearrange
24 the statement with me. Please if I forget to go into that later, remind
25 me to do so, because I may just forget. I do have the original

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1 statement that was corrected, but a supplementary statement and a
2 supplementary one that I have since done with them is still with
3 them, because they are going to type it and print it, and forward it to
4 me. I'm still waiting and since yesterday ... because I did not want to
5 ask for the copy well ahead of time by trying to be discreet, I
6 requested the copy yesterday morning. It is either yesterday or the
7 day before yesterday, but I said that I wanted to go and discuss it
8 with my Lawyer, because I didn't want to refer to today's meeting.

9 I'm still waiting for the copy. I intend to hound them, because I
10 have a right to have a copy of that statement or statements and once
11 I receive them, I would preferably courier them or hand deliver them
12 to the PP's Office. I don't have it today, bar from the original one that
13 got corrected, that I was dictating when somebody was writing and
14 somebody went to type it in an office, and when it came out there
15 were discrepancies here and there of what I was saying or what I had
16 intended to say, so it had to be corrected.

17 The people that spoke to me in the Hawks, telephonically I
18 spoke to Brigadier ... I will remember her name, but actually I have
19 the contacts in my phone. She is second in charge nationally, one of
20 the second in charge in the Hawks. She is a lady, an African lady with
21 a Tswana/Sotho surname. She sent me a guy who would come and
22 see me, but we could not meet, but interestingly before that guy, who
23 was also a Brigadier, flew to Cape Town and before we met he
24 proceeded to the Hawks' offices where he first announced the
25 demotion kind of two people who were safeguarding the statement I

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1 made, because we had agreed that we would keep it under wraps. I
2 did not want an investigation that was all over the public space. So
3 Mr Vearey and Mr Jacobs were acting ... one was acting as a Head of
4 Detectives, one was acting as somebody. They were removed on that
5 day, but apparently the meeting overflowed until late, so I could not
6 meet that Brigadier. He got held up for longer in that meeting where
7 he kind of demoted them.

8 So he phoned late at night to check if we could still meet at my
9 place and I declined the offer, because I did not want him to know
10 where I stay and I did not want to meet him at night. So he sent me
11 somebody from the Legal Division of the Hawks the following ... the
12 next day, a few days and somebody who deals with cybercrime. So I
13 didn't know where the cybercrime one comes into the picture, but it
14 is those two that I did the ... what is this, redid the statement or the
15 secondary affidavits with and they were both - after we were done -
16 going on leave for two weeks, both of them, and after two weeks they
17 were to come back to me with the copies of the statements.

18 It is now four weeks, into the fourth week, I'm still waiting for
19 them. I have unsuccessfully tried to contact them to get the
20 statements, but I will keep on trying. I also want to disclose that the
21 Dominican Order - it is interesting, maybe it is a matter of fate - I
22 have worked with them for years, but I taught in a Dominican Order
23 Catholic School in Soweto, run by the Dominican Order Nuns, the
24 historic St. Matthews Secondary High School in Rockville, that is
25 linked to the historic Regina Mundi Church. So I have not had

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1 contact with them. I'm just disclosing that that was my contact with
2 the Dominican Order, but since I left teaching in that school at the
3 end of 1996 my only contact with them was in 1997 when I looked
4 for copies of my qualifications, because I had realised that I don't
5 have the original ones. It only came up when I was taking up a new
6 job. Okay, anyway forgive me if I'm going roundabout. I have
7 thought of presenting to this meeting in a three-part way.

8 The first part ... and in fact I have not even ... I was banking on
9 the statements, they were going to make my work easy to present to
10 this meeting, but because the statements did not come and I realised
11 yesterday that ... I started writing, so I have written and I'm midway
12 through. By tomorrow I would have finished writing everything and
13 I would hand over whatever I have written to the Office of the Public
14 Protector. So my presentation I planned it in my mind to be three-
15 part, firstly the historical background to the day when I was offered a
16 ministerial post by the Guptas in Saxonwold.

17 It is a little bit of a longish historic preview, but it makes things
18 easier for you to understand my concerns around that day and
19 beyond that day to date. The middle part of my presentation will be
20 about that encounter in Saxonwold on that particular Monday. I
21 think it was in October 2010, I'm not certain, but ... then the last part
22 also deals with companies and people, and connections that touches
23 on the part that the PP says is allocation of positions to Boards, to
24 Parastatals, to ministerial positions and probably would form the
25 basis for your endeavour into checking the issues of contracts. So I

1 sincerely apologise if I would sound long in that. Yesterday I said to
2 Adv Kanyane I might need three hours. It might be less, it might be
3 more, but I will try not to waste time. I'm usually a very thorough
4 person when I deal with issues and I usually look into even the
5 minutest details, because omission to do so, often major serious
6 things can be omitted. I was sworn as a Member of Parliament in
7 August 2002. I still have a dispute with Parliament, because they say
8 I was sworn in, in September 2002, but I was sworn in, in August.
9 That was in the middle of the term, because ...

10 **Adv T Madonsela :** You said the date was?

11 **Ms V Mentor :** I have always submitted to Parliament that I was sworn in, in August.
12 It was on the 22nd, but on the payroll Parliament ... I noticed shortly
13 thereafter that on my payslips "date of appointment" showed as
14 September and I always thought and queried that with them to date
15 without success, because I told them that benefits that accrue ...
16 amongst the benefits that accrue to me would be minus, but I never
17 won that battle.

18 So just in case if you go and check, if you see a disparity of the
19 date of appointment, know that it is a disparity I have tried to fight
20 for 12 years without success. They still wrote my last payslip as
21 being sworn in, in September, whereas I was sworn in, in August.
22 Anyway, it was in the middle of the term ...

23 **Adv T Madonsela :** And the year?

24 **Ms V Mentor :** 2002.

25 **Adv T Madonsela :** Okay, thank you.

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Ms V Mentor : It was right in the middle of the term, because IEC in the middle of the term would reallocate, because they would check ... I don't know what they check. They have got figures, they play around with figures. Then would tell parties that you are entitled to this and that, that the parties would sometimes have more ... we were 9 ANC members when we were sworn in. Usually some numbers would be because of other people would have fallen along the way.

The first two years, two and a half years, I was not very prominent in Parliament, but I worked very hard. I came from a background of teaching and of being a Councillor at District Municipality level in the Mayoral Committee in the Northern Cape, having chaired Social Development Portfolio then. Into the following term of Parliament that began in 2004 I was first made ... disciplined me for the entire Caucus of the ANC, but that appointment was short-lived, because shortly thereafter I was promoted to chair the entire Parliamentary Caucus of the ANC.

Simultaneously when I was appointed to chair the Caucus of the ANC I was appointed to chair the Private Members' Legislative Proposals Committee. It is a committee that allows ordinary Members of Parliament who are not in the Executive, the so-called backbenchers, to propose legislation to Parliament. Of significance when I chaired that committee is the fact that I led the team of the committee to lead Parliament in the ANC to abolish in floor crossing of political parties. The other significant role I played there was to have a serious enquiry together with the committee into the electoral

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1 system as it stands. This was following a submission by Honourable
2 Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi on the matter. Historically before I
3 chaired that committee Parliament would just dismiss ... Parliament
4 and the ANC would just dismiss submission of that nature, but I led
5 the committee to give it the diligence it deserved and it went up to
6 the ANC conference, national conference, where there was a
7 resolution noted that the electoral system needed to be reviewed,
8 but nothing ever happened thereafter.

9 Around 2004 and 2005 when I was chairing the ANC Caucus,
10 Mr Kgalema Motlanthe was the Secretary General of the ANC and he
11 was based in Luthuli House. At that time he hosted a high-powered
12 delegation of Chinese members of the Chinese Communist Party and
13 members of the Chinese National Legislature – they call it “Council”,
14 they don’t call it legislature, Council-something – in Luthuli House.
15 At that time Mr Goniwe was the Chief Whip in Parliament of the ANC.
16 Myself and him were ordered by Mr Kgalema Motlanthe, after he
17 hosted the Chinese delegation in Luthuli House, to host the same
18 delegation as ANC Caucus in Parliament.

19 Mr Goniwe did not honour the request. He renegated on ... or
20 no renegated, but he did to fulfil his obligation regarding that
21 request, but I did, so I was in a predicament of hosting a big
22 delegation alone. So what I did, I invited Chairs of Portfolio
23 Committees and Whips of Portfolio Committees to host that big
24 delegation with me. Around that time also Eskom and South Africa
25 were beginning to experience – I think around that time – the first

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1 bout of erratic electric supply. Eskom had been submitting to
2 Parliament and it was in the papers also, that major electricity
3 shortage was looming for the country moving forward. So when we
4 hosted that Chinese delegation their presentation from what they
5 had discussed with Mr Kgalema Motlanthe in Luthuli House revolved
6 around economic growth and lifting masses of people out of poverty.

7 Mr Kgalema, when he instructed us to host the meeting, said
8 that we should learn from the Chinese how to boost our economy, as
9 China had grown to(from) a poor country to a very striving economy
10 and had lifted masses of people out of poverty, but he had also
11 pointed ... also he was concerned about the erratic supply for energy,
12 so that formed part of the agenda. So the issue of energy supply it
13 was discussed with the delegation.

14 Also what was put before us was the issue of other resources
15 that are in the supply chain of electricity production, like coal. I
16 personally raised the possibility of collaboration between China and
17 South Africa in assisting Eskom to overcome the electricity shortage,
18 because I (*indistinct*) that without electricity the economy cannot be
19 sustained and growth cannot be realised, and as a result poverty
20 cannot be addressed.

21 In that meeting one of the people that was present was Mrs ... I
22 will remember her name now. She later ... at that time or just later
23 thereafter she chaired the Transport Committee, so she picked up
24 the issue of coal supplies and reported to that delegation meeting
25 when we exchanged that the problem ... our problem of coal supply

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to sustain electricity supply was also caused by lack of modern railway lines that are dedicated towards that goal. Out of that discussion ... at that time she was an MEC member as well of the ANC. So out of those discussions she later visited China first as the Chair of the Portfolio Committee to continue with the discussions of rail ...

Adv T Madonsela : *(Indistinct)* what you call?

Ms V Mentor : I mentioned her name before. I think I wrote her name somewhere here.

Adv T Madonsela : Alright.

Ms V Mentor : I will get it now. Madam, I will come across it and I will give it to the meeting very soon.

Adv T Madonsela : Okay.

Ms V Mentor : Yes. Ruth Bhengu, Ruth Bhengu.

Adv T Madonsela : Okay.

Ms V Mentor : Yes. After that meeting later, months down the line she was at China as an MEC member who was chairing Transport and later led a 10-member strong delegation of a Portfolio Committee to China to look into the issue of rail, coal, etcetera, etcetera. That delegation also noted that our gage ... there is something that is called "gage, railway gage". It measures the width of the rail lines, the apartness of them.

Apparently ... I'm not an expert on this matter, but apparently the wider the gage the more ... the wider the wagons and the heavier the load a coal train or whatever, or a goods train can take. They pointed to us that rail development in South Africa was very old and backward, and as a result there needed to be a widening of gage in

order to carry more quantity of goods, like coal, faster. So that was the focus of Honourable Bhengu. My particular interest ... at that time I was also chairing the Public Enterprises Committee. My interest also, because of what Mr Kgalema Motlanthe had requested, I focussed on energy supply and Eskom, but my appointment as ... my focus on energy preceded my appointment as Public Enterprises Chair, because I chaired Public Enterprises in 2009 after Polokwane.

Mr Kgalema Motlanthe hosted the delegation in 2004/2005 and instructed us to discuss economic growth, electricity, etcetera, with the Chinese. So naturally when I took up the position of ... I think because the Committee Chairs are appointed in Luthuli House, I saw that as a continuation, I saw ... In fact the Secretary General will be central to the appointment of Chairs of Committees.

So when I was appointed to Chair of Public Enterprises, under which Eskom fell, to me it was natural. It meant that my mandate to continue on what we had discussed with the Chinese was the reason why I was allocated to chair Public Enterprises. Unfortunately or ... unfortunately there was the upheaval of Polokwane that later projected Mr Kgalema Motlanthe forward to becoming a Caretaker President after the 2009 elections.

When he became a Caretaker President I still made an appointment with him and I went to see him in the Presidential residence in Rondebosch, as well as in Union Building, to go and further discuss the issue of energy supply, economy and all those things. Mr Kgalema as President then ... in addition to what we had

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1 discussed together, because I kept on feeding him feedback, I had to
2 give him a report of the engagements with the Chinese delegations,
3 etcetera, etcetera. In Pretoria, particularly at the Union Building, he
4 raised the issue of nuclear energy power for the first time. *Pres Kgale*

5 Before that we had just been talking about energy production
6 and supply from coal and the related rail transport problems,
7 etcetera, etcetera, but during that time I had also forged a working
8 relationship with Ruth Bhengu, who chaired Transport, where
9 Transnet fell and her committee, because we discovered that Eskom
10 and Transnet were working in silos, were not working together to
11 plan effectively, to address economic challenges and electricity
12 challenges that were facing the country.

13 When Mr Motlanthe pointed the nuclear energy issue, that it
14 needs to be paid attention to and to be addressed, I had a concern,
15 which I think I raised with him, that nuclear policy of Government
16 was not clear. I reminded him that much as ... Madam PP, will
17 remember the conferences that were called "Ready to Govern" that
18 produced a document that said, "Ready to Govern".

19 In that I reminded Mr Motlanthe of the discussions during that
20 early stages towards 1994, that there was a discussion of nuclear
21 energy supply, but there were strong lobbies in the ANC in favour of
22 and against, because of Shano(?) being the nuclear link in the then
23 Soviet Union, but he said to me we will have to speak to the Russians
24 about nuclear power supply. So on returning from briefing me and
25 from ... he was the sitting President then, so I had a responsibility to

1 go and read and research about where we actually stood as a country
2 in terms of the policy on nuclear energy. Because I was Chair of
3 Caucus I also put that item on the agenda of Caucus of the ANC and as
4 a result that discussion tapered towards the Pebble Bed Modular
5 Reactor, which we abbreviate as PBMR. It is a miniature nuclear
6 testing station, it was an experiment. It is located in Pelindaba just
7 outside Pretoria. At that time Government had already pumped
8 R8 billion into it and it was very promising, and it was already
9 yielding by-products that were certain isotopes that are very useful
10 in nuclear medicine.

11 So they had developed ... or as I researched I actually even took
12 the Committee of Public Enterprises to Pebble Bed Modular Reactor,
13 PBMR, in Pretoria and I engaged the Chairperson, as well as the
14 Committee of Energy in Parliament around the matter of nuclear
15 energy as was proposed by the Caretaker President. A certain Mr
16 Ngcaba, who previously had worked for Pelindaba, the PBMR - who
17 is a Scientist with a PhD, trained in Russia by the ANC - was chairing
18 the Energy Committee.

19 So I had numerous meetings with him before we had joint
20 meetings with the Portfolio Committee. He was anti-nuclear energy
21 power and he actually wanted us to close the PBMR, which is actually
22 an experiment into nuclear energy, but his reasons were arbitrarily
23 and personal, because he had left the PBMR under a cloud. He was
24 actually fired, because he had a problem. He was very
25 knowledgeable, deeply knowledgeable - and I feel very bad to say

1 this - but he had a drinking problem, which led to him not paying
2 attention to his work the way he should have, because I went to
3 check why he left the PBMR when he was so knowledgeable. So
4 when I discussed with him he was ... his reasons were arbitrary, so I
5 discussed with the committee. I also discussed with the then
6 Minister of Energy who was Mr Dipuo Peters then.

7 As we went to the PBMR as the Portfolio Committee they
8 highlighted to us the stranglehold they were experiencing in terms of
9 financing and they were fearful also that there are rumours that
10 Government intended to close the plant. They were concerned that
11 Government had invested in the plant, as well as in the Human
12 Resource, which was then heavily ... they had been trained all over
13 the world and in all honesty I found them to be very patriotic.

14 I also had meetings with the Chair of the Board for PBMR, as
15 well as the CEO, many meetings in my office. They were saying that
16 they are highly employable internationally, because they were highly
17 trained by the South African Government. They said they would
18 regret to go and work for other countries when it is their country
19 that put money into making them as Human Resource capital.

20 They also were concerned about the ... there is a company, an
21 American company that had partnered with our Government in that
22 project of the PBMR. It is Westinghouse, its name is Westinghouse, it
23 is an energy company. They were worried that South Africa was
24 going to ... the manner in which Government was discussing and
25 approaching the PBMR matter, they were hastily wanting to close it

1 without even taking care of the Human Resource, as well as
2 importantly the intellectual property for the PBMR. Where they
3 were positioned they were alerting me particularly – some meetings
4 were confidential between myself and them – that there were
5 manoeuvres by Westinghouse to run away with the intellectual
6 property of the PBMR and they asked me as Chair to try by all means
7 to assist in safeguarding that intellectual property right.

8 So my meetings with the Minister of Energy later also focussed
9 on the human capital around PBMR, as well as the intellectual
10 property, retaining the intellectual property. I had two meetings
11 with the Minister of Energy over lunch in Parliament and two
12 meetings at my house around the issue, my house in Acacia Park.
13 The one meeting that I held in my house both the Chairperson and
14 the CEO of the PBMR attended the meeting.

15 Towards the end the Minister ... I could see that she did not
16 want to – rightfully so – disclose Cabinet discussions on the matter.
17 She asked me to rather go and see the President on the matter as
18 Head of State. I think I have ... so I started trying to arrange for
19 meetings with the President on the matter. Firstly I spoke to the
20 then Parliamentary advisor for the President, who was Mr JJ ... what
21 is JJ's ... he is currently a Deputy Minister now?

22 **Adv T Madonsela :** Yes.

23 **Ms V Mentor :** John Jeffery.

24 **Adv N Kanyane :** John Jeffery.

25 **Ms V Mentor :** John Jeffery, yes. I repeatedly ... I spoke to John Jeffery verbally. He

1 tried to organise meetings. I smuggled notes through him to the
2 President when the President was not in the house, requesting a
3 meeting. Lastly, as ... not even lastly, also as a desperate measure -
4 and this was over a period of months -I even wrote ... brought
5 envelopes and wrote a letter, envelopes with Parliament ... and then
6 sent the staff of Parliament that give us water in the house to go and
7 give the President a letter. I watched as they transferred the letter
8 from me to the President in the house and I saw the President open
9 the letter and read it, because I was not ...

10 **Adv N Kanyane** : Can I ask when was this now, around which period?

11 **Ms V Mentor** : It was before the World Cup. The World Cup is an indicator for me. I
12 will tell you why? I will say why, why it is a ... but it was the World
13 Cup. I think it was in 2010, yeah, but before the World Cup, I think
14 so.

15 **Adv N Kanyane** : Okay, so before June 2010?

16 **Ms V Mentor** : Yeah, I think so. It should be before the World Cup, yes. So because I
17 was actually ... because I was not yielding results, I kept on saying to
18 John Jeffery, "But when will I meet the President?". Then he would
19 say, "Have you not met the President?". I said, "No, I have not. I
20 would not be asking you". Then he will say, "But the President made
21 an undertaking that he would see you". Then it carried on for
22 months, until I decided to write him and I saw ... then I was satisfied
23 that he read the letter, then I waited again for weeks for an
24 appointment. It was not forthcoming. I then went to Tuinhuis, the
25 offices of the President there. I wrote a letter, carried it in me or with

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1 me, signed the entrance register there to go and deliver the letter
2 where I requested a meeting with the President. That was the
3 second letter, apart from those that I gave John Jeffery. I had
4 requested a meeting with the Caretaker President, the meeting of
5 Rondebosch, in the same way. So I expected to yield ... previously, I
6 expected that to yield results.

7 It did not yield results as it did with the Caretaker President for
8 the Rondebosch meeting. Then with the committee we started, then
9 I appraised the committee of my discussions with the Chinese prior
10 to the time, because the electricity shortage became even more
11 evident. I think the meeting would remember even the time when
12 one Minister said that there was a bolt that fell into Koeberg or
13 whatever, whatever.

14 There were stories going around what was causing ... but we
15 knew Eskom had told us confidentially what the problems were. So
16 we undertook to do a study tour to China with the Portfolio
17 Committee, as the Transport Committee had done, being led by Ms
18 Ruth Bhengu. We applied to Parliament to undertake that visit. I
19 think Mr Obeth Papila(?), if I'm not wrong, was the House Chair.

20 The House Chair normally approves visits. So our request to
21 visit China was in earnest approved. Firstly it was approved by Jeff
22 Deutsche(?). He was the Chair of Portfolio. Then shortly thereafter
23 he was removed, but I might be confusing this one, but I think Obeth
24 Papila at this later stage dealt with the matter also. So in essence the
25 visit was approved, but there was a timing for the allocation, the

1 loading of the budget for committees to do international work, the
2 study groups, etcetera. How Parliament allocates monies for
3 Parliamentary work, they would load the monies for national work
4 first, for doing ... or when we do oversight. Then the second leg
5 would be for international trips. During that time I was also invited,
6 in the same way that Ruth Bhengu was invited to China, to visit
7 China, to visit two SOEs that are almost equivalence of Transnet and
8 Eskom in China as a Chair first, as a preliminary visit.

9 It looks like that is how the Chinese prefer to do work. That
10 happened in ... is it June? Yeah, I think it was around June. It was just
11 before the World Cup started in 2010. So I went to make ... and I
12 even met some of the people that I had previously hosted in
13 Parliament before that, but China has got a ... I think the way they
14 introduced competition in their economy is they will have various
15 SOEs in the same field, unlike us. We will only have Eskom as the
16 supplier of energy.

17 They would have one company that is based in Beijing that
18 competes with an electricity producing company in Beijing, that
19 competes with another company doing the same thing that is based
20 in Shanghai for instance. So I visited electricity supply SOE in Beijing
21 and another one in Shanghai that is called Shanghai Electric. I forget
22 the name of the one that I visited in Beijing. I also visited in some out
23 flung parts of Beijing, a company that does ... a rail engineering
24 company, the one that deals with the gages and all those things, that
25 widened the gage of ... I even visited another one, which is

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1 responsible for rail transportation for coal for the production of
2 electricity and then I came back and reported to the committee.
3 Then the committee was ... after the report they were very excited
4 and we were all looking forward to visiting China together, pending
5 the allocation of money for international tours, study tours, but then
6 Parliament rose for the World Cup and then we came back again for a
7 short while.

8 Then Parliament at that time ... I don't know if they still do so,
9 we would usually rise again for about a week or so for Women's
10 Month. What we would normally do before we rise, we would host a
11 Women's Parliament, after which ... sometimes it would be during
12 the recess of Women's month, because then we would be all
13 dispatched to the ground to go and do work related to August month
14 of women. Just at the beginning of that recess the Chinese companies
15 that I had visited called me and informed me about the pending State
16 President visit, our State President visit to China.

17 I was not even aware of that and then they said that after I had
18 left China they have had various discussions and their leaders had
19 told them about the pending Presidential visit. They recommended
20 that in China to invest ... for them to either invest or cooperate with
21 South African companies there would normally be a very long red
22 tape. Then they said that to cut the long red tape they suggested ...
23 because there was going to be broad framework agreements signed
24 under the umbrella of the State visit between State companies and
25 normal business that would accompany the President, they

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1 suggested that we hasten our visit to China to coincide with the State
2 visit. I told them our predicament of financial loading for the visit,
3 etcetera, but also of the recess, that it was practically impossible to
4 honour that because we were going on recess. So they suggested
5 that even if I don't bring the whole company ... I mean the whole
6 Portfolio Committee, I could come again to ... that would give them
7 leverage to be able to freely sign and cut red tape in terms of
8 allowing them to deal with Eskom and Transnet together.

9 I was in a predicament, I told him, "I will see what I can do. I
10 don't know what I can do", because Parliament ... I cannot even
11 request for resources from Parliament, because Parliament is under
12 recess, but then I phoned Eskom. I phoned the Chairperson and the
13 CEO of Eskom. In fact I phoned the Chairperson, he told me that he
14 was with the CEO, they were abroad, so they could not authorise
15 anything. So I called Transnet and Transnet ... the then CEO of
16 Transnet ... was it CEO? The person that I phoned I think it was the
17 CEO, but then forwarded me ... said a lady was going to call me who ...
18 he did not have a problem with that.

19 He actually said that they had funded members of Parliament
20 before in a similar way, but then he said that I needed to forward the
21 request in writing, together with the invitation or the accreditation
22 for the State visit. I did not even know where and how to get the
23 invitation or the accreditation, because the first call was made by the
24 Chinese to inform me about the State visit, but then that lady when
25 she phoned me, who was a white lady - I think she was in the

1 Finance Section of Transnet – told me that DTI was responsible for
2 accreditation and invitations, and I asked for the name of the person
3 that did that in DTI. It was the DDG of DTI, a certain Iqbal Sharma. I
4 think his surname is Sharma, Iqbal. Ag, Sharma is the surname, the
5 name is Iqbal. I explained the situation to him and he gladly gave me
6 the invitation, the accreditation and everything, which I forwarded to
7 Transnet and on that basis Transnet funded my trip to China. They
8 actually booked my flight and accommodation to China. I flew
9 Emirates ...

10 **Adv N Kanyane** : Did you then go alone there?

11 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes, because Parliament was in recess and we didn't have money for
12 many people, because our trip – much as it was approved – the
13 money for it was not yet loaded. In fact I was on crutches at that
14 time, because I had had an accident, I fell in the lift during the World
15 Cup in Cape Town and in fact the Public Protector remembers that I
16 was at some point in crutches, because she asked me if it is still the
17 same.

18 So much as I was in distress in terms of having broken my toes
19 and I was on crutches, for me the issues we had been discussing for
20 years were important, also the electricity crises was becoming more
21 intense. So once Transnet got the documentation, the letter and
22 request and the accreditation they wanted and they were willing to
23 pay, I travelled to China. They booked ... I didn't say which air flight
24 they must book, where they must book me, whatever. They booked
25 me an Emirates flight which flew via Dubai. I saw two people that I

knew. I didn't ... I mean you don't go around watching who is in the flight. The late Minister Collins Chabane - that time he was a Minister in the Presidency - was in that flight with his wife. I saw Minister Dipuo Peters as well. Those are the two people that I saw that I knew, but strangely and interestingly I was in first class where you have your own compartment.

Somebody knocked ... midway through the flight knocked at my compartment and I opened it. It was somebody that I did not know. It was a black young guy, that turned out to be ... I confuse Duduzane and Duduzile. The young one, President Zuma ... the young chap with dreads, the one that is associated with the Guptas.

Adv N Kanyane : The big one?

Ms V Mentor : No, no, no.

Adv T Madonsela : Duduzile is the girl. They are twins. Duduzane is a boy.

Ms V Mentor : Okay, it was a boy, it was a boy.

Adv T Madonsela : The one with the dreads is Duduzane.

Ms V Mentor : Yes, it was a guy, it was a boy, yes. Yes, Madam?

Adv N Kanyane : Duduzane is not ...

Adv T Madonsela : The President's son.

Adv N Kanyane : The President's son, okay.

Adv T Madonsela : Yeah, he is implicated in this, but yeah.

Ms V Mentor : Yeah, that one is the one that knocked at my ... the young Zuma with dreadlocks, the one that is reportedly a partner to the Guptas, is the one that knocked at my compartment. He introduced himself as Zuma. I still today confuse Duduzane and Duduzile, but I do the same

1 with my class when I teach and I remember their faces, but I ... so you
2 realise that even when it comes to Ajay and whoever the Guptas are,
3 I confuse their names and he was not alone. He was with two Indian
4 guys and then he said, "Madam, you are Ms Vytjie Mentor, Chair of
5 the Public Enterprises Portfolio Committee?".

6 I said, yes. I was not ... I was taken aback, but I was also
7 curiously ... a bit surprised, but remembering that I'm forever in the
8 media sometimes, I thought ... at that time I took it like he just
9 wanted us to meet, to pay respects to a member of MP that is ... and
10 then he introduced these guys, but he introduced them with their
11 first names only. I said to him no, I'm humbled to know them and
12 then it was an awkward moment.

13 They claimed that I'm their favour MP, particularly the Indian
14 guys and they had wished someday they could meet me, so they saw
15 ... and because I asked them how they saw me, because my
16 compartment was closed and I had not spotted them when we
17 embarked, so how they spotted me I don't know. No, they said that
18 they had wished to meet me and then they knew I was there, but
19 anyway I thought they were going to Dubai, because we were flying
20 via Dubai.

21 Adv N Kanyane : Sorry to interrupt you. You said they were introduced by their first
22 names. Do you recall the names?

23 Ms V Mentor : No, no, no, the names were kind of Indian, but I did not really take
24 note, because I did not think it was significant, yes.

25 Adv N Kanyane : Okay.

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- 1 **Ms V Mentor** : So that was the end of it as far as the leg to Dubai was concerned. I
2 did not pay particular attention. I sat in the lounge that people who
3 use first class would sit and I saw them, I saw Duduzile in the lounge.
- 4 **Adv T Madonsela** : Duduzane is the boy.
- 5 **Ms V Mentor** : The boy.
- 6 **Adv L Tshiwalule** : Duduzane.
- 7 **Adv T Madonsela** : Yes, Duduzile is the girl.
- 8 **Ms V Mentor** : Oh.
- 9 **Adv T Madonsela** : I know it, because it is the other way around.
- 10 **Ms V Mentor** : But I'm a Motswana, it was ...
- 11 **Adv T Madonsela** : Okay, but Duduzane is the boy.
- 12 **Ms V Mentor** : Okay, so I spotted him in the lounge, but I did not spot the other ...
- 13 **Adv T Madonsela** : Maybe you can say just "Mr Zuma".
- 14 **Ms V Mentor** : Yeah, Mr Zuma, yes, thanks.
- 15 **Adv N Kanyane** : Junior.
- 16 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes, but you know I didn't pay attention, because you know I realised
17 oh, this guy is actually also flying for ... but you know in Dubai you
18 could fly anywhere. When you are there you could go to Europe, you
19 would go anywhere. It didn't make any ... you know. The leg
20 between Dubai and Beijing I did not see anyone of them, neither did I
21 speak to anyone of them, until the following day. The following day
22 was the Pomp ceremony first, which I skipped, because I was not
23 there for the Pomp ceremony and I was limping, was in crutches. So
24 I had the program also, DTI had given me the program when they
25 gave me accreditation. I targeted the ... there was going to be the

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1 Pump ceremony and then there was going to be a broad session, and
2 then there was going to be divisions into sectoral whatever, smaller
3 meetings. The meetings were also in the programs, to say if you are
4 in this sector of business, the meeting would be in this room or in
5 that room. So I took time to find the room where the SOEs for
6 Energy/Transport is related would be, so I found it. In fact because I
7 was limping I was the first one to enter that room. Everybody else ...
8 I left the broader session meeting first to find the room. Everybody
9 else when the session breakaway started they found me there.

10 **Adv T Madonsela :** Miss Mentor, I'm going to just stop you here for a minute. I would
11 like to take a body break.

12 **Ms V Mentor :** Okay.

13 **Adv T Madonsela :** Then we will proceed. I hope the team doesn't mind even if it is long.
14 Personally I don't mind, because we are a Commission of Enquiry, so
15 the content is okay with us. When we do our own report, then we
16 will decide what to cut out, so but it is okay to proceed then ...

17 **[Go off record // Short adjournment // Back on record]**

18 **Adv T Madonsela :** We were where you did not see Mr Zuma until there was this ... you
19 were in China and you were preparing for this event, this kind of
20 function?

21 **Ms V Mentor :** Yes. No, I skipped the Pomp ceremony and then ...

22 **Adv T Madonsela :** Yeah, that was the Pomp ceremony that was going to take place, yes.

23 **Ms V Mentor :** Yes and I skipped the ... what was this thing? I just stayed for a brief
24 while in the general ... where everybody met after the ceremony,
25 because thereafter people were going to split according to sectors.

1 So there was a meeting room for State companies that is doing
2 energy, rail and I don't know what else, but also the businesses, like
3 private business companies that would play in that ... I forget how
4 they had named that cluster or that sector that was meeting, so I
5 found it and I took a seat. Then everybody found me there. The
6 people that also made it to that room ... I think that was the most
7 important sector, because I saw there the Minister Collins Chabane -
8 that I had seen on the flight - was in the meeting room, Minister Rob
9 Davies, the Trade & Industry one was chairing the session and
10 Minister Maite Nkoana-Mashabane also sat in that meeting.

11 **Adv T Madonsela :** Maite?

12 **Ms V Mentor :** Nkoana-Mashabane. I spotted some Transnet people there. I knew
13 them by faces, because I had hosted a Joint Committee of Eskom and
14 Transport in Parliament, together with ...

15 **Adv T Madonsela :** You have got their names?

16 **Ms V Mentor :** Uh-uh (*negative*).

17 **Adv T Madonsela :** Okay.

18 **Ms V Mentor :** The people whom I remember are the ...

19 **Adv T Madonsela :** Was Mr thingy not there?

20 **Ms V Mentor :** Who? Sorry, Madam?

21 **Adv T Madonsela :** The current CEO of Eskom was he not there as Transnet?

22 **Ms V Mentor :** Brian Molefe?

23 **Adv T Madonsela :** Uhm (*positive*).

24 **Ms V Mentor :** That time I did not actually know him thoroughly.

25 **Adv T Madonsela :** So you (*indistinct*)?

- 1 **Ms V Mentor** : I wouldn't, yeah.
- 2 **Adv T Madonsela** : No, that is fine.
- 3 **Ms V Mentor** : The people that stayed with my memory – I don't know whether this
- 4 happens instinctively or not – are the people that ...
- 5 **Adv T Madonsela** : But there will be pictures and something?
- 6 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes. So these three Minis ... the other Minister that was in that room
- 7 ... was she a ... but the person, let me say not the Minister ...
- 8 **Adv T Madonsela** : Was it Collins? You said Collins was there?
- 9 **Ms V Mentor** : Collins Chabane was there. The other person that was in that room,
- 10 but she was not a Minister then, is I think Zulu. She was not a
- 11 Minister. I think that time she was an envoy to Zimbabwe for the
- 12 President.
- 13 **Adv N Kanyane** : Lindiwe Zulu?
- 14 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes.
- 15 **Adv N Kanyane** : Yes. No, she became Minister, not on this ...
- 16 **Ms V Mentor** : Yeah. I think I saw her there, but something strange happened,
- 17 which I did not mention earlier on. In the flight when I spotted
- 18 Minister Chabane, Collins Chabane ... I had known him to be a very
- 19 nice person before, very warm towards people, but when I met him
- 20 in the flight I tried to greet him twice, he did not respond. He was
- 21 very unhappy to see me. I don't know for what reason, because we
- 22 did not have beef, we had not fought before, etcetera.
- 23 **Mr B Dhlamini** : And he knew you very well?
- 24 **Ms V Mentor** : He knew me very well, but the same pattern I picked up – because I
- 25 was sitting in the room when they entered – Rob Davies entered first

with a group of people, group of people that looked South African, that looked DTI. I mean they were supporting him, but they didn't look Chinese and they were mostly white, most of them, with a sprinkle of Indian here and there. Also when I greeted him he wasn't very happy, he wasn't very happy. Later on I tried to greet Maite. Maite we were very close, we had actually travelled abroad together to Tunisia and ... Tunisia, yes, twice to Tunisia together on women's business. There is a women movement called SAWID, South African Women in Dialogue. We had gone there together, so I was surprised. So I came to the conclusion that ...

Adv N Kanyane : Are you saying she was also cold towards you?

Ms V Mentor : Yes. I came to the conclusion that it must be ... I must have been discussed at the level of Cabinet at that moment, because the behaviour was just strange. I didn't see Minister (*indistinct*) in that forum, in that meeting. The nature of the meeting was open. Rob Davies made a presentation.

Adv T Madonsela : And did any of the Zuma ... of the Gupta people attend at that meeting?

Ms V Mentor : Mr Zuma, yeah. Mr Zuma was in there and the two Indian guys that he had introduced to me in the coach of the Emirates flight were there, but there was a third one. The third one now looked stoutish. I don't want to call them by name, because I don't ... I mix them up. The most stout one and apparently he is the eldest of them. He was in the meeting room, but they played a very ...

Adv T Madonsela : Which year was all of this happening, Madam?

1 Ms V Mentor : This is 2010 in August.

2 Adv T Madonsela : Okay, this is 2010, August 2010.

3 Ms V Mentor : The State President visit to China. If my date is wrong, please go and
4 correct, but I know it is in August, I think so. Yes, it was in August,
5 because I remember my ...

6 Adv T Madonsela : Okay.

7 Ms V Mentor : Yes. So there was a third Indian person, but also that time I did not
8 know that he a Gupta, but he looked Indian and he was with the two
9 that I met in the flight. They played a very funny role and very
10 interesting. They were like overseeing ... they were all about the
11 room, in and out and they were actually kind of (*indistinct*). At first I
12 thought they were Security for the presidential visit, for the
13 Ministers, etcetera, but I saw them also interact with the people that
14 was around Minister Rob Davies, very freely and very frequently. So
15 I made kind of a mental note of that and they were wearing ...
16 whereas everybody was wearing a single tag, like accreditation tag,
17 the three guys and the young Zuma were all four wearing two tags.

18 I could not make out what the second tag was all about, but the
19 other tag looked like everybody else's tag, but they had an additional
20 one. So the meeting was free, Mr Rob(?) presented and I think out of
21 protocol the Ministers that were in the room were the first two to
22 speak, but everybody had to raise their hand before they spoke. I
23 saw Minister Nkoana spoke, Collins Chabane spoke. Then Business
24 were also allowed to speak and I had raised my hand. I was sitting in
25 the second row behind Minister Nkoana-Mashabane. My hand was

1 raised all the time and it was ignored, but I didn't have a problem,
2 from the beginning of the meeting until the end, until I decided to
3 drop it. The people that had invited me to come to China, who were
4 members of the SOE, similar to Transnet and Eskom, were also in the
5 room. So they actually later came to sit closer to me, because in that
6 meeting we further divided into subgroups, like the Energy Sector
7 and the Transport Sector, etcetera, etcetera. So they converged
8 around me when ... like I chose to go to the Energy group and they all
9 converged around me, so but in the small group I could speak and all
10 those things.

11 There was going to be a signing ceremony of the broader
12 agreements, but I was reluctant to sign, because the last leg of the
13 meeting was the signing. I was reluctant to sign, because I did not
14 have a mandate to sign and the committee was behind. I think the
15 coldness of the Ministers assisted me, because that made me
16 consider whether I could sign or not, so I decided not to sign when I
17 got that cold reception, and I said if I sign I might end up in trouble
18 way back home. So I said to them, "No, let us meet tomorrow in the
19 hotel where I stay and then we can have further discussion, and we
20 can say how far are we going".

21 **Mr B Dhlamini** : Sorry, you are telling who that?

22 **Ms V Mentor** : The Chinese people.

23 **Mr B Dhlamini** : Okay.

24 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes, that had invited me, to say I should try and be part of the
25 presidential visit, because that would cut red tape for them. My hotel

was a brand-new hotel. Actually Transnet had booked a suite, which surprised me, which looked like a presidential suite, which I had not asked for, that intimidated me a little bit. The hotel was new and it was opposite the CCTV ... the studios. The CCTV Studios were also new, because apparently the first one had burned down and then this one ... so it was in a very posh area overlooking a very posh, nice building, China Central Television Studio. So in the evening there was going to be a State banquet.

Mr B Dhlamini : Sorry, Madam, sorry, you are saying *(indistinct)* signing there, you said you didn't sign. Was it like the South African delegation, the Ministers were signing, then they wanted you to sign as well?

Ms V Mentor : No, not only Ministers were signing. Let's say ... okay, I don't know which ... let's say there is a South African company that ... a South African ... because DTI invites ordinary companies also as when the President ... since President Zuma ... when the President goes abroad, if there is a South African company that intends doing business with a Chinese company, be it a normal private company or a State owned company, they would sign preliminary Memoranda of Understanding, not really detailed.

It is Declaration of Intention. Yeah, all of those agreements are actually Declaration of Intent to do business together. So that was not going to be necessarily a problem, because it is a vague ... it is just a ceremonial signing. It is not a commitment, it is just the intention.

Mr B Dhlamini : So you were going to sign with the people, your host, the people who were actually agreeing?

1 **Ms V Mentor** : The invitation when they phoned they said because people would be
2 signing broad agreements and they are normally very broad, after
3 that then there would be ... they would visit one another to put meat
4 to the intention, to say, "We will cooperate in this area or that area".
5 So actually that is the Chinese way of doing things, they are just
6 ceremonial, but I still felt intimidated to sign that ceremonial. The
7 Chinese signs that I would help them.

8 I had an intention to go and sign that thing because it was a
9 vague thing, but the cold reception and responses of the Minister
10 made me worried, so I proposed another meeting. That night was a
11 banquet, a State banquet for the Head of State, of China hosting the
12 President. I also had accreditation for that, but because I was so hurt
13 because of how I was treated by the Ministers, I decided not to go. So
14 at the end of everything I went to my hotel, I took a shower and
15 decided to have dinner in my room. Then I watched the proceedings
16 on TV as they replayed the events of the day of the State visit.

17 Whilst I was lying in bed watching TV ... there is China ... there
18 is an English channel of CCTV that was on, that was what I was
19 watching. My phone rang next to ... on my beside. It was Reception.
20 Reception said that there is somebody who had wanted my room
21 number. He says he is African ... he says he is South African and then
22 the Reception said he was Indian looking. He first wanted my room
23 number. Then Reception refused to give them the room number and
24 he was with another guy who looked Indian also. They claimed to be
25 both South African and they said they were part of the State visit,

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1 Presidential State visit. When she refused to give ... they asked to
2 speak to me on the phone. So I said, "Give them the phone". A guy
3 introduced himself as something-something. What I could hear at
4 the end was "Gupta" and my ears were raised, and then he said he is
5 sent by the President. The President has asked him to come and call
6 me and fetch me, and he said he was with another guy, to go and see
7 him at the State Presidential guesthouse. I think it is something like
8 that. My first question to him was does he work for the Presidency?

9 He said he was part of the Presidential delegation. So I said to
10 him, "The Presidential delegation, what do you mean, because there
11 are the President staff, there is Business, there are SOEs, there are
12 Ministers as the Presidential business?". So he said he was part of
13 the President's entourage. So the second question was, "How did you
14 know my room number" ... I mean, "my hotel where I put up?". He
15 said that he has got a security background and he is connected, so it
16 was easy to know where I put up.

17 That worried me a great deal and he said to me the President is
18 awaiting me, as he wants to see me before he goes to the banquet
19 and he asked me if I was going to the banquet, because after I had
20 spoken to the President in his guesthouse they would take me to the
21 banquet, if I was planning to go to the banquet. I told him, "I'm not
22 planning to go to the banquet" and I told him, "I have difficulties
23 understanding who you are and what your mission is?". My reasons
24 were twofold. One, the coldness of the Ministers were still nagging
25 me, but also ... in fact three things were nagging me, that coldness,

1 secondly how these people knew my hotel, because I had not ...
2 except for the SOEs, Chinese SOEs that I said we must meet the next
3 day and I gave them where I stayed, nobody knew where I stayed. I
4 bumped against nobody at my hotel, etcetera. Thirdly I was worried
5 that the President wanted to see me alone in his guesthouse. ~~Forgive~~
6 me for saying this, we had all read about the President and women,
7 so I was worried about that. That was also my most concern, that I
8 cannot go to a guesthouse where it will be me and the President only,
9 because there are stories about him and women.

10 **Adv N Kanyane** : Can I just ... I just want to confirm, my understanding is that you were
11 not staying at the same hotel as the other people accompanying the
12 President, am I correct?

13 **Ms V Mentor** : I was ... that hotel was new. I have never seen anybody. I think I was
14 the only South African and delegate that stayed in that hotel. I did
15 not see anybody that stayed in that hotel, that I knew for sure stayed
16 in that hotel.

17 **Adv N Kanyane** : Okay.

18 **Ms V Mentor** : That is why I was surprised, okay. So I said to this guy, "I'm not
19 coming out. Firstly I'm in bed as I speak to you now", as I was not
20 going to attend the banquet. "Secondly, I have security concerns. I
21 don't even know if you are truly South Africa and I don't know who
22 you are, and you can claim to be what-what-what, a Gupta. There is
23 that surname in South Africa, but the problem is there is that
24 surname in India too and I don't know where else in the world, so I
25 cannot go. Thirdly, I have strong reservations of going to the

President at night". So he hung up and said to me he is going to give the President a call and he will call me back again. After a while, about 5 minutes or so my hotel phone rang again, it was him again and he says the President insists that he must bring me. I said to him, "With due respect both you and the President cannot really insist" and then he said that I'm delaying the President for the banquet. We were for a long time on the phone.

I wonder if the President made it to the banquet that day. If he made it, he went very late, because this guy kept on dropping the phone and phoning again, dropping the phone and phoning again, dropping the phone and ... and then eventually I put the phone to the side.

Adv T Madonsela : He was calling from ... at Reception?

Ms V Mentor : Reception, yes.

Adv T Madonsela : So that would be difficult to confirm, because (*indistinct*). Okay, right.

Adv N Kanyane : But before they called you on the hotel landline, did they call you on your cell phone?

Ms V Mentor : Uh-uh (*negative*).

Adv N Kanyane : Oh, okay.

Adv T Madonsela : Okay, but we could ask for the hotel footage on that day?

Ms V Mentor : Yes, yes, camera footage, camera footage.

Adv T Madonsela : Okay and you don't know the date of the banquet, but we can confirm that?

Ms V Mentor : Look, the major event was the 10th. I think if you look around ... I will

1 go and confirm the dates. If you look on there ... I'm just not certain
2 whether it was the 10th of the 11th.

3 **Adv T Madonsela** : Of August?

4 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes, but I'm sure if you look at ... and it was in the evening, like the
5 State banquet was going to start like half past six (18:30) for seven
6 (19:00), so it was just before.

7 **Adv T Madonsela** : Do you still remember the name of the hotel?

8 **Ms V Mentor** : It is directly opposite ... you just look for the brand-new hotel that
9 opened in August 2010, that is opposite ... when you are in that hotel,
10 in my room and also it had numerous ...

11 **Adv T Madonsela** : So it is opposite what, Madam?

12 **Ms V Mentor** : CCTV Studio.

13 **Adv T Madonsela** : CCTV?

14 **Ms V Mentor** : China Central ...

15 **Adv T Madonsela** : Yes, I know, yes. Right, okay and (*indistinct*).

16 **Ms V Mentor** : That studio had burned down first, then they rebuilt it. They were
17 opening it.

18 **Adv T Madonsela** : No, that is fine. I think we can begin a process of getting ... us asking
19 them if they have footage of guests on that day.

20 **Ms V Mentor** : So eventually ...

21 **Adv T Madonsela** : Or we could ask the China Supervision Office to assist us.

22 **Adv N Kanyane** : The what, Madam?

23 **Adv T Madonsela** : As we did in Switzerland, we could ask our colleagues to get the
24 footage for us.

25 **Adv N Kanyane** : Okay.

- 1 **Ms V Mentor** : But do you have ... does China have a ...
- 2 **Adv T Madonsela** : They have a Public Protector, like they call it Minister for
3 Supervision.
- 4 **Ms V Mentor** : Oh, yeah, yeah. So I ended up ... I refused point-blank and it took a
5 long time for me to decide to ... because I also wanted to show
6 respect in the event that truly it was the President, so it was not easy
7 to just cut the man out, but eventually I decided this is it, I'm not
8 going to entertain this anymore.
- 9 **Adv T Madonsela** : We will just also ask the banquet footage from DIRCO.
- 10 **Ms V Mentor** : If the President attended.
- 11 **Adv T Madonsela** : Well, not banquet footage. The entire visit footage, if they have.
- 12 **Ms V Mentor** : So the following day I had a bit of a difficulty, because I was actually
13 embarrassed by how I was treated in the meeting. I was a bit
14 embarrassed to have a meaningless ... I mean meaningful meeting
15 with the SOE people. So I said to them "I think ... I suggest that we
16 must wait for our official visit as the committee", because that was in
17 the pipeline. So we ended up just having drinks and stuff, and I was
18 deeply hurt and deeply embarrassed. So I didn't even attend any
19 other further business of that visit.
- 20 **Adv N Kanyane** : How long was the State visit?
- 21 **Ms V Mentor** : I think it was two days. I think it was two days, two days. I'm not
22 sure, but I was not long there, so because my ticket was booked to
23 leave at the end, immediately at the end of the visit. I left as the
24 ticket was booked and came back. Much as I was hurt ... and
25 remember Parliament was in recess and as soon as ... I was still in

1 recess, not back to Parliament, when a reporter I think of Sunday
2 Times ... City Press ... I remember I was in my family kitchen in
3 Kimberley when a reporter called to say that they want to ask me
4 something about the China trip I had just undertaken and because to
5 me there was nothing strange or funny. They are saying if I was part
6 of the delegation that went to China?

7 I said yes, I was ... many people actually had gone before, the
8 Ministers I think, because I saw a few only in that ... so I said, "Yes, I
9 was in China during the President State visit. Then they asked me,
10 "Who paid for your ticket and accommodation?". I said, "Transnet"
11 and then they asked me, "Is that not irregular because you oversee
12 Transnet?". I said, "Not in my view. Firstly I did not force them,
13 secondly I'm not the first member of Parliament to be funded for a
14 trip by an entity that Parliament oversees".

15 Then I thought it was the end of it. So I didn't hear or see
16 anything until Parliament was back in session, then I saw this thing
17 in the media again and then in our first Portfolio meeting the
18 Minister of Public Enterprises attended ... no, no, it was not firstly in
19 the meeting. We had study groups, we have study groups, ANC study
20 groups. She came to the first study group and she actually was
21 notorious about not attending study group, but she came and she
22 came to express dissatisfaction that I went to China and ...

23 **Adv T Madonsela :** Who was the Minister by then?

24 **Ms V Mentor :** Barbara Hogan.

25 **Adv T Madonsela :** Okay.

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- 1 **Mr B Dhlamini** : Sorry, who was the Minister?
- 2 **Ms V Mentor** : Uhm?
- 3 **Mr B Dhlamini** : Sorry, who was the Minister?
- 4 **Ms V Mentor** : Sorry?
- 5 **Mr B Dhlamini** : Who was the Minister?
- 6 **Ms V Mentor** : Barbara Hogan.
- 7 **Mr B Dhlamini** : Barbara, okay.
- 8 **Adv T Madonsela** : Okay.
- 9 **Ms V Mentor** : So I explained myself in the study group and I thought that was the
10 end of it, just like I had thought it was the end of it with the media
11 enquiry, but then in the next Portfolio meeting this matter arose
12 again. It was raised by Mr Van Dalen of the DA. At that time I
13 thought he got it from the media. He enquired, then I said to him, "If
14 you look at the agenda, I have put the thing on the agenda, so don't
15 raise it upfront. It is on the agenda", because I had intended to report
16 any way to the Committee, because that happened so fast during
17 recess, to appraise them. So it became a difficult issue, so the
18 Minister kept on harping on it and ...
- 19 **Adv N Kanyane** : What specifically did she take issue with?
- 20 **Ms V Mentor** : That Transnet funded my trip.
- 21 **Adv N Kanyane** : Okay.
- 22 **Ms V Mentor** : But I felt ...
- 23 **Adv T Madonsela** : She was Chairperson of an Oversight Committee.
- 24 **Adv N Kanyane** : Yes.
- 25 **Ms V Mentor** : Uhm (positive).

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1 **Adv T Madonsela** : That ended up with us.

2 **Adv N Kanyane** : Yes.

3 **Ms V Mentor** : So I really was not understanding the ... but I tried as much as
4 possible to answer all questions that anybody posed, the committee,
5 the media, the Minister, I was open. Then after some time I got a
6 letter from the PP's Office, because after I answered questions, the
7 matter subsided, I thought it was the end of it. Then I received a
8 letter from the PP, but later thereafter I also received a letter from
9 the Speaker, saying he ... the Speaker, Mr Sisulu, Max Sisulu, saying he
10 received a complaint.

11 So he asked me to clarify and all those things, which I did and it
12 took a while before he also responded. Before ... down the line
13 Gwede Mantashe came to ask me to ... like after two months or so,
14 three months of the incident came to ask me to ... flew especially
15 from Johannesburg to come and ask me to clarify what he was
16 reading in the media and I said, "But this is a very late response SG,
17 but anyway I will still tell you what I told Barbara Hogan, what I told
18 the committee, what I told the media when they enquired, what I told
19 the Speaker".

20 Then he said I must put that in writing, which I did. Then he
21 went away. He didn't say anything, he went away and then only
22 thereafter my efforts to meet the President on the Peddle Bed
23 Modular Reactor, some Sunday evening I got a call. No, actually
24 before I got the call that Sunday evening I asked JJ again what
25 happened, because I wanted to meet the President, because I refused

1 to see him in China, because the President has not availed himself to
2 meet me in the country, but was willing to meet me in China. So I
3 wanted to see if we could still meet so that I must know what was it
4 all about in China, but also the PBMR matter that I had wanted to see
5 him for months for. Eventually JJ said to me, "Why don't you then try
6 to meet the President through Luthuli House, because he is in Luthuli
7 House every Monday?". The top (*indistinct*) of the ANC meet in
8 Luthuli House every Monday.

9 Then I phoned the office of Jessie Duarte to try and arrange that
10 meeting. Then I was not assisted per se and then after two weeks of
11 difficulty I said to Jessie, "I might as well come and see you and the
12 SG". I was not very happy that firstly the SG had come and asked me
13 to state my case and he had not come back to me, but this thing in the
14 media was perpetuating. On the other hand the Public Protector was
15 writing frequently to me, asking questions, demanding documents
16 and all those things. So I said to Jessie, "I might as well come and see
17 you guys, because really I'm becoming very unsettled".

18 I went to Luthuli House. On the phone Jessie had given me the
19 hint that maybe I should speak to Lakela, Lakela Kaunda, who
20 worked with or for the President, but eventually I did go to Luthuli
21 House and I met both Jessie and the SG, and I told them my
22 displeasure about the whole affair of the China trip. I said to them ... I
23 actually learned there also that the other complainant was Barbara
24 Hogan herself. She had complained to Luthuli House, hence the SG
25 had come down. So I said, "You know maybe it is time that the ANC

1 should release me from that position and from Parliament", because I
2 was very, very angry and hurt, because I was not the first Chair or
3 the first member of Parliament whose trip was funded by an entity
4 that Parliament oversees, even to date there has never ... so I found it
5 ... ahead of me Ben(?) had gone to China. So in that meeting ...

6 **Adv N Kanyane** : Who funded that trip?

7 **Ms V Mentor** : Sorry?

8 **Adv N Kanyane** : Who funded that trip?

9 **Ms V Mentor** : I don't know. I didn't ask, but anyway ... but I know for instance there
10 are committees that ... I personally with other people had gone on
11 missions, intelligence missions all over the world. We were in the
12 Joint Standing Committee, we went to the US after 9/11 (*indistinct*). I
13 was in Parliament in 2002 and then 9/11 happened, which happened
14 in 2011 and shortly thereafter the Americans invited South Africans
15 and other countries that they deemed fit to come and discuss 9/11
16 with them, and we did not have a budget. The Intelligence Agencies
17 funded us. I had been to some Scandinavian countries.

18 I'm sent by the ANC and then they say I must ... you know they
19 didn't even buy me a ticket. They would say ... then I would ask
20 entities and they would ... I mean it is common, because Parliament's
21 budget is limited, ~~it is common for members to be funded by~~
22 Government entities. So in that meeting in Luthuli House where they
23 asked me, "Where do you want us to deploy you?", I said, "You can
24 make me a Deputy Minister" and then I said, "No, I don't want
25 anything to do with Government. You can make me an Ambassador"

and then he said, "Fine, we will consider that".

Adv T Madonsela : Wait a minute. Why was Gwede asking you to (*indistinct*)?

Ms V Mentor : No, no, no, I was very disgruntled. I said to them, because this matter of the China trip is perpetuating, I'm forever in the media about it and the Public Protector is asking me questions, the Speaker ... I have answered the questions to the Speaker and at that time I think the Speaker had already said he found nothing wrong, he closes the file. So from Parliament's side, from the Speaker's side he found nothing wrong, but the matter continued.

So I asked to be redeployed and then eventually ... initially without thinking I said "Deputy Minister". Then I said, "No, not in Government", because I was thinking of the President again and all those things, so I said, "Ambassador". Then Gwede said, "Okay, that is fine".

Mr B Dhlamini : Sorry, you suggested or it was him who suggested the Deputy Minister, or you said ...

Ms V Mentor : No, no, no, he asked me where must they redeploy me?

Mr B Dhlamini : Oh, okay.

Ms V Mentor : In fact firstly he said I could go to the Northern Cape and later become the Premier. So I said, "No, you know my issues with John Block there", because I had reported him to the ANC. The corruption things that you saw I had initially reported them, including to the President, because he was a Premier and to Luthuli House. So I said, "No, you can't send me to the ... you would be sending me to the guillotine". So I said, "Deputy Minister" and I said, "No, Ambassador".

1 Then Gwede said, "There is no current vacancy", but he said, "There
2 is going to be a vacancy in Uganda soon. So would you take an
3 Ugandan vacancy if it opens up?" and I said, "Anything", although I
4 know Africa they say it is (*Indistinct*) and if I'm being an
5 embarrassment to the ANC by going to China and whatever, I would
6 take anything. Months down the line there was nothing.

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8 Lo and behold I read ... I heard over the radio and in the media
9 that I have been removed as the Chair of Public Enterprises, and that
10 the reason was the China trip, but then before that Lakela Kaunda,
11 whom Jessie advised me to call, called me one Sunday evening even
12 before I called her. That is before my removal from the Portfolio
13 Committee as Chair. She said to me, "You have been wanting to see
14 the President for a long time".

15 I said, "Yes, of course, I'm glad you called". She said - it was
16 Sunday evening - "The President will be able to see you tomorrow",
17 which was a Monday and it was latish on Sunday, and then he ... she ...
18 sorry, I keep on saying "he". She said to me, "Somebody is going to
19 call you, but I'm going to give you that person's number also, so that
20 if she has not called you, you call them", but before she said that, it is
21 because I complained that it is short notice, it is a Sunday, it is late at
22 night.

23 I was still on crutches, as I was on crutches when I went to
24 China. It will be difficult for me to arrange things, like a wheelchair,
25 staff and that, but I wanted to take the opportunity, because I had
been seeking to see the President within the Republic for a long time.

How you know that Jessie

1 So Lakela said, "Take this number. The person whose number I'm
2 giving to you is going to call you. If they don't call you after like some
3 time lapses and you get concerned tonight still, call them, because
4 they will assist you in all those things that you are concerned about",
5 like I have not replied in all those things. I tried to call the
6 emergency number of Parliament Travel and I think I did book a
7 ticket with them, but my concern was because it is at night I could
8 not book the wheelchair, because when you book a wheelchair you
9 must book it like 48 hours before you travel.

10 Then you are guaranteed to have it, otherwise you are risking.
11 So after I did that, booked that ticket, I can't remember whether I
12 called the person who ... the number I got from Lakela or whether he
13 called me, but we spoke on the phone and I had told him, "I have
14 waited for you call and I have even booked myself a flight, but I'm
15 concerned about how I will get to the ... if I will get a wheelchair, but
16 also if I get it from ORT, how I will get to Union Building?", because I
17 assumed I was going to the Union Building.

18 So he told me not to worry, because when I land there would be
19 somebody with a nametag, my name, who would take me to Union
20 Building to the President, so I should not worry about that.

21 **Adv N Kanyane** : Do you recall the date?

22 **Ms V Mentor** : You know I have tried to recall the date. It is 6 years ago, but I know
23 for sure ...

24 **Adv T Madonsela** : Which flight did you use?

25 **Ms V Mentor** : I used the morning flight.

- 1 **Adv T Madonsela** : And was it SAA?
- 2 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes.
- 3 **Adv T Madonsela** : We can check flight plan.
- 4 **Ms V Mentor** : But I fly a lot of times, but I know how I tried to arrive at the date
- 5 when I issued the statement to the Police. I remembered, I recall that
- 6 that was a Monday before the Sunday of which the President
- 7 announced a Cabinet reshuffle in which the removed Barbara Hogan.
- 8 **Adv N Kanyane** : I have that date here.
- 9 **Ms V Mentor** : I think it was 10 October or something like that.
- 10 **Adv N Kanyane** : Yes, I have that date of when Barbara Hogan was removed.
- 11 **Ms V Mentor** : Removed. October ... I'm not sure if it is the 10th. It was on a Sunday
- 12 when it was announced. I remember I was in the car listening to her
- 13 and I was also coming from the airport. So you got the date?
- 14 **Adv N Kanyane** : No, I just want to work it out. You say it is the Monday before that
- 15 Sunday?
- 16 **Adv T Madonsela** : Okay, you were called on the Sunday, *(Indistinct)* was a Monday.
- 17 **Adv N Kanyane** : *(Indistinct)* and then when was Barbara ...
- 18 **Adv T Madonsela** : When was the shuffle? Was it a week later?
- 19 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes. If today is the ... if today is Sunday the 7th, I get the call Sunday
- 20 the 7th in the evening. I will meet the President on the 18th ... I mean
- 21 on the 8th, the next day. The reshuffled happened on the 14th with his
- 22 ... the Sunday following the one on which I spoke to Lakela.
- 23 **Adv N Kanyane** : Yes, then we would be able to work it out.
- 24 **Adv T Madonsela** : Okay, do you have the reshuffle date?
- 25 **Adv N Kanyane** : I have it in my notes.

Handwritten notes with Supt's notes & Vytjie Mentor

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- 1 Ms V Mentor : I checked it on the internet.
- 2 Adv T Madonsela : But it is fine.
- 3 Adv N Kanyane : Yes.
- 4 Adv T Madonsela : Okay, let it not distract us. We will find it. Thank you, Madam.
- 5 Please proceed.
- 6 Ms V Mentor : So because I had two tickets ... you can check with SAA which ticket
- 7 do ... because this guy also offered a ticket, but I said to him, "The
- 8 ticket that I will use should be a ticket that will enable me to be
- 9 looked after" and I said, "I tried to book my" ... what do they call it?
- 10 They call it a PAU, it is Passenger Assistance Unit. I said, "When I
- 11 booked my flight I tried to arrange that, so I will see when I arrive at
- 12 the airport".
- 13 Adv T Madonsela : Do you know who was the guy who was talking to you?
- 14 Ms V Mentor : He was a Gupta. *name*
- 15 Adv T Madonsela : Okay.
- 16 Ms V Mentor : And interestingly this Gupta guy mentioned nothing about our
- 17 encounter in China, but I did not also want to ask him, "Are you the
- 18 same person that came to the Reception?", etcetera, etcetera. At the
- 19 time I had not figured yet what actually is it about the Guptas and the
- 20 President or the Presidency, but his number and his name was given
- 21 to me ...
- 22 Adv T Madonsela : (Indistinct) Kaunda is in that list (indistinct).
- 23 Adv N Kanyane : Okay.
- 24 Ms V Mentor : So I flew to Jo'burg. On my arrival there were people waiting for me
- 25 with my nametag, as I was told the previous night. They were both

1 **Indian guys.** They were wearing dark glasses, like when I looked at
2 him I remembered the song that my son liked and my daughter then
3 which is called "Men in Black". They were wearing black suits, they
4 had communication earpieces and they had the same things in China.
5 I mean I saw the same ... that is why in China I wondered if ... but I
6 recognised only one of them, of the two people that fetched me from
7 the airport.

8 **Adv N Kanyane :** As one of the ones you had seen in China?

9 **Ms V Mentor :** Yes, one of the ones that do ... Mr Zuma young ...

10 **Adv T Madonsela :** Did they enter inside the arena inside the airport, like where there is
11 waiting area?

12 **Ms V Mentor :** Where you ... where the taxi people stand, like ...

13 **Adv T Madonsela :** Were they, yeah, inside?

14 **Ms V Mentor :** Yeah.

15 **Adv T Madonsela :** Okay. We can also check footage on that day, if we can get the date.

16 **Ms V Mentor :** Yeah and I remember that they had not parked too far from the gate
17 of where we ... because I had previously ... the last night when I spoke
18 to that Gupta guy I had told him that I was in crutches and that Gupta
19 guy didn't say, "Are you still in crutches like in China?". So it was just
20 a cut and a short and a whatever. So they let me into a black twin cab
21 that was heavily tainted ... is it tinted or tainted?

22 **Adv N Kanyane :** Tinted.

23 **Ms V Mentor :** Yeah, with very dark, dark, dark glass windows. They opened the
24 door for me, I sat at the back. It was very high, I was struggling to get
25 in because I was limping. They assisted me into it. Then they drove

1 away. I did not pay particular attention to the road, because in my
2 mind I was going to see the President, in my mind I was going to
3 Luthuli House. At the back there were glossy magazines and that
4 day's newspapers. So I had already read the newspapers in the
5 plane, so I busied myself with the glossy newspaper. One of the
6 glossy magazines was ... the one was about the Sahara Computers
7 stuff.

8 The other was a cricket magazine, very glossy. I didn't know
9 then that the Guptas were also into cricket, so but I just paged
10 through, until the vehicle went into a kind of a semi-industrial area
11 and into a parking area. I thought maybe that they were fetching
12 something or ... but when they got out of the car they opened ... they
13 came and opened for me and I could clearly see that we were not in
14 Union Building, so I said, "Am I meeting the President here?"

15 They said, "No, we are still taking you to the President, but we
16 want you to say hello to somebody". I was a bit irritated, because
17 firstly you don't keep the President waiting, because ... but then I just
18 obliged and they assisted me out of the vehicle, took my crutches,
19 one of them took my handbag and we went into ... that building was
20 written "Sahara" outside. We went into an entrance.

21 There was kind of a corridor first that we walked in that turned
22 slightly, almost forming an L-shape. I don't remember if the L-shape
23 was very long and acute or it was ... but we walked and then turned
24 slightly I think. Then at the corner there were ... like if we enter this
25 way, we go again that way, at the end there was two seats, not very

Sahara Office

1 fancy, a little bit warned out with a coffee table, also not fancy at all,
2 and magazines, the same ones that I saw in the vehicle and
3 newspapers and stuff. So they said I must take a seat there. They
4 were going to tell the person that I was coming to greet that I was
5 around. So they went away for about 15 minutes and I really got
6 agitated. So somebody went past the corridor.

7 Where I was seated there was one office and then there was
8 another office. I was seated like there, an office door and an office
9 door, many other offices. Somebody passed and I said to them ...
10 none of the people that brought me there, a guy, I said, "Excuse me,
11 the people, two guys that brought me here, Indian guys and then they
12 said they are bringing me to say hello somebody, and I have been
13 sitting here now for a while. Can you please get them for me?".

14 Then he got one of those guys. I don't know how he knew
15 which ones brought me there. So I said to this guy, "Look here, this is
16 not on". So he said, "Okay, I will go and tell that guy that you are
17 getting impatient". So he entered the second office and then he went
18 away for a about 5 minutes, and then he came back and told me that
19 guy that I was supposed to say hello to was on the phone.

20 He will check on him when he is off the phone, he will come and
21 call me. Another about 10 minutes or ... another 10 to 15 minutes
22 elapsed and I was very irritated. Eventually he came and then he
23 ushered me into the second office. There is a picture that you gave
24 me here. I met *this* guy. I don't know his name. I mix their names, I
25 know. I said the same to the Police, that I would not want to play

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- 1 with names and get them wrong, and in fact ...
- 2 **Adv T Madonsela** : Which one of these two?
- 3 **Ms V Mentor** : *This one, this one.*
- 4 **Adv T Madonsela** : Okay.
- 5 **Ms V Mentor** : He was not ... he was wearing a gold ring with a red ruby on his index
- 6 finger.
- 7 **Mr B Dhlamini** : So that is Atul?
- 8 **Ms V Mentor** : Is it Atul?
- 9 **Mr B Dhlamini** : Yeah, I mean the way they put it, I don't know when they say
- 10 "right" ...
- 11 **Adv N Kanyane** : I don't know, I'm also not sure, because the names are down there.
- 12 **Adv T Madonsela** : Then who is Ajay?
- 13 **Adv N Kanyane** : The big one?
- 14 **Adv T Madonsela** : Ajay is *this* one.
- 15 **Ms V Mentor** : Ajay is which one?
- 16 **Adv N Kanyane** : The bigger one.
- 17 **Ms V Mentor** : Which one?
- 18 **Adv T Madonsela** : *(Indistinct).*
- 19 **Ms V Mentor** : The one that you are pointing to me?
- 20 **Adv T Madonsela** : *This* is Ajay.
- 21 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes.
- 22 **Mr B Dhlamini** : Okay.
- 23 **Adv L Tshiwalule** : *This* is the one.
- 24 **Ms V Mentor** : It is *this* one that I met in the office.
- 25 **Adv T Madonsela** : That is Ajay.

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1 Ms V Mentor : Who ... but I was told he is the eldest. Is he the eldest?
2 Adv N Kanyane : He looks bigger than the other one.
3 Adv T Madonsela : I don't know who is he eldest, but I think at this stage we will just
4 confirm ...

5 Ms V Mentor : Yes, I can show you the ...

6 Adv T Madonsela : ... we can just confirm that you have pointed at *this* person.

7 Ms V Mentor : Yes.

8 Adv T Madonsela : At the picture and ...

9 Ms V Mentor : And it was an awkward moment. He knew me obviously from the
10 papers or from where and then he introduced himself, and I heard
11 "Gupta" also, he was a Gupta and whether he lied to me or he told me
12 the truth, he told me that he was the eldest of the Guptas. So that is
13 what he told me and at that time I believed him to tell the truth.
14 Then it was awkward to strike a conversation, so he asked me about
15 my family. He was the first to ask me about my family. He asked me
16 am I a Missus Mentor or a Miss Mentor? I told him I'm a Miss
17 Mentor. So he said so obviously I'm not married? I said yes.

18 "You have kids? Yes. How many? Two", although I have three.
19 I adopted another one from my sister. "Boys/girls? One boy, two
20 girls. What are they doing? The other one is at university, the other
21 one is in school. Do they play sports? Yes, my boy plays cricket".
22 Then he offered to buy my son a cricket bat, a good one. So I told
23 him, "You know I appreciate the offer, but I have just bought him a
24 cricket bat". In fact I had just bought my son a Willow ... It is Willow
25 wood? English Willow, yes, English Willow Wood. I purchased it at

1 Western Province Cricket Club. So normally my son would outgrow
2 his cricket bat almost every two years, so there was no point in
3 accepting a cricket bat for him that ... but also he was a stranger, so I
4 was careful. So he said, "Okay, when he outgrows his cricket bat, just
5 let me know, I will organise another one". I said, "Okay fine".

6 Then he asked me if I watch cricket at the Newlands, because I
7 was from Cape Town, Cricket Club. I said, "Actually I only watch
8 cricket on TV when I'm overseas when I miss my boy if it plays,
9 because he is a good cricketer, so normally I don't watch cricket". So
10 he said, "Oh, I wanted to offer you access to our suite". He said they
11 had a private suite, whatever you call it, at the cricket grounds,
12 Newlands Cricket Grounds.

13 So he said, "Whenever you want to go, for instance if India plays
14 South Africa, we could give you". I said, "Maybe my son would like
15 that. I will ask him if he would be interested". So from there out of
16 courtesy I also asked him about himself. That is when he told me
17 that he was the elder Gupta brother and I asked him ... I began to be
18 interested in them and I said, "Oh, you are into the ... I saw on the
19 board when we entered that you are into computers, Sahara?".

20 He said, "Yes" and I said, "Okay". I had read slightly about them
21 and Sahara, because when the Kuga Project was conceptualised,
22 which is a lot of money, I read in the papers somewhere that Sahara
23 Computer (*indistinct*), but also when we entered the Cape Town
24 airport at that time there was a Sahara Computers advert, so I asked
25 him if it was the same and he confirmed. So I asked him when they

1 came to South Africa? He said early 1980's and then he told me ... no,
2 sorry, early 1990's and then he told me one of them had gone to
3 study in the US, and after studying in the US went back to India. They
4 made a little money and they migrated to South Africa, because
5 South Africa was at the dawn of democracy, so they wanted to come
6 and be part of the miracle nation, whatever, whatever.

7 That was the end of our ... we could not strike further
8 conversation, so we sat there oddly, uncomfortable in each other's
9 presence, until I said, "Did the guys tell you that I'm actually on my
10 way to another meeting?". I did not want to disclose to him that I
11 was going to see the President, but his response was, "Yes, I know
12 you are going to see the President".

13 That startled me a little bit, but I guessed probably these guys
14 who are taking me to the President might have told him that they are
15 taking me to the President. As I left he said to me, "I will see you
16 again", but he didn't say where and when, so I didn't ask. I said, "Bye-
17 bye". So these guys led me back into the bakkie and then we drove
18 away. So I don't drive much in Cape Town ... I mean in Johannesburg.
19 If I drive myself I would lose my bearing.

20 Whenever if I drive in Jo'burg it is ... I used to drive a lot, just
21 take an Avis car at the airport and drive to Pretoria, because I sat in
22 the committee that reviewed the Nissan cars that got bad reviews
23 and with NSBH and SAPA, all health qualifications, so I only knew
24 that way. If I go to Jo'burg I'm always picked up from the airport, so
25 I'm a bad driver and I'm scared to drive in Jo'burg, but eventually we

arrived at a place. There were securities at the entrance. We entered it. There were a number of ... a little bit of gigantic, huge houses. There were not too many though. It was not like a big ... I mean an estate with many, many houses. There were quite a few houses. If my memory serves me well, what I spotted could have been 5 or 6, I don't know, I'm not sure. I don't want to put a number to it, but we parked. There was ... we parked into a driveway that there were a bit of trees there and then we parked outside one of those houses. It was a big house.

Adv N Kanyane : What is the area? What was the area?

Ms V Mentor : I asked when we arrived, so I said to them, "Where are we now?". They said Saxonwold. So I said, "Are we still stopping by places when I'm supposed to go to a meeting?". Then they said, "No, your meeting with the President will be here" and I said, "That is funny. I thought that I will see the President in Union Building and because it is a Monday I would expect if it is not in Union Building, it would be in Luthuli House".

So they said, "No, the President will come here to meet you". So they helped me out of the vehicle into the house. I ascended stairs, they were marble stairs, cream marble stairs. They were about 5 or 6. I actually was struggling with my crutches over them, so it took me a bit of time - because I had broken my toes - to go over the stairs. Then I was led into a wide open reception area with a giant pillar and a big window. If we entered that way, the ... not ... what did I say, a big what?

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1 Adv N Kanyane : Window.

2 Ms V Mentor : A big window. A big window would be across this wall like *this*, but
3 there would be a supporting pillar that is supporting the ... the pillar
4 was a bit untidy. It was not completely covered nicely. There were
5 two ... only two couches in the reception area, one was like *this* and
6 the ... they were sitting at ... almost at 90 degrees to each other with a
7 space in between them *here*. So I settled, they led me to the couch
8 and said the President would come here. I found it strange.

9 Anyway, then they said, "We are going to leave you here whilst
10 you wait for the President, but let us show you where the facilities
11 are", like the bathrooms, the you know. So he led me through one
12 corridor from the reception and told me that that was the ladies
13 bathroom and then when we went out he told me that the Gents
14 bathroom were ... like there were two corridors, like while the
15 couches are here, he said the male bathrooms would be that side. I
16 didn't go in, because I had no business with the male bathrooms.

17 Adv N Kanyane : Can I just ask was this ...

18 Adv T Madonsela : Right, what I'm going to ... okay, sorry. What I would ask is, if you
19 could with whatever little memory you have draw the house as you
20 remember it, the space, just a kid's drawing?

21 Ms V Mentor : Where I sit?

22 Adv T Madonsela : Yeah, but we don't have to take that with us today.

23 Ms V Mentor : Okay.

24 Adv T Madonsela : But just what was there, everything, just a sketch.

25 Ms V Mentor : Yes.

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- 1 **Adv N Kanyane** : I wanted to confirm was this a residential house or an office?
- 2 **Ms V Mentor** : It was a residential house. Before we stopped at an office, the Sahara
- 3 **Offices.**
- 4 **Adv N Kanyane** : Yes, the Sahara Office, yes.
- 5 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes, this was a residential house.
- 6 **Adv N Kanyane** : Okay, but the bathrooms were separated to the ladies and the gents?
- 7 **Ms V Mentor** : That is what he said.
- 8 **Adv N Kanyane** : Okay.
- 9 **Ms V Mentor** : He only ... I think he even said so in a very boasting way, yes.
- 10 **Adv N Kanyane** : Okay.
- 11 **Ms V Mentor** : And the bathrooms were quite ... unlike that pillar they were quite ...
- 12 **Adv N Kanyane** : Fancy?
- 13 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes, some gold trimmings.
- 14 **Adv T Madonsela** : If you are saying "bathrooms", was it a bathroom or was it a toilet?
- 15 **Ms V Mentor** : A toilet.
- 16 **Adv T Madonsela** : Was it a guest toilet?
- 17 **Ms V Mentor** : Guest toilet.
- 18 **Adv T Madonsela** : These were guest toilets?
- 19 **Ms V Mentor** : Well, they were not written "guests", but that is what ...
- 20 **Adv T Madonsela** : No, but I'm just saying in a house (*indistinct*) it was a toilet?
- 21 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes, it was a toilet with a basin, yeah.
- 22 **Adv T Madonsela** : Okay, for the (*indistinct*)?
- 23 **Ms V Mentor** : A little bit very spacious and beautifully decorated - that one struck
- 24 **me - with some nice sand and some luxurious towels, and hand**
- 25 **lotion and ... yes, but where I seated, because the couches in the**

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1 reception was like this, I sat on this couch, which is a giant two-
2 seater. He pointed that way to the corridor and said to me the
3 kitchen would be that side and the chef would be that side, and he
4 said to me, "I'm going to ask the chef to offer you something, but we
5 will leave you here and should you further need something after the
6 chef has offered you something, when you want the chef, you can just
7 walk that way, you will meet the kitchen, ask him for any new one".

8 So he went there and in an Indian guy, much shorter, came. He
9 was wearing ... and much younger looking. He was wearing ... unlike
10 the chefs who wear white, he was wearing a white vest and he
11 almost bowed to me, and he didn't speak English. Must I speak?

12 **Adv T Madonsela :** Just a moment, sorry.

13 [Discussions amongst each other]

14 **Ms V Mentor :** I'm almost done, except that when we finish here I just wanted to
15 introduce you to an illustration that I will submit later, that shows
16 the people, the business connections and the contracts.

17 **Adv N Kanyane :** Yes.

18 **Adv T Madonsela :** We would appreciate that.

19 **Ms V Mentor :** I will not complete it now. I will just introduce you to it. I'm busy
20 designing it.

21 **Adv T Madonsela :** Okay, thank you very much.

22 **Ms V Mentor :** Okay.

23 **Adv T Madonsela :** Please proceed.

24 **Ms V Mentor :** The chef did not speak English, so this guy ... this guy of the two only
25 one guy engaged me all the time, spoke to me all the time, from the

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- 1 airport to Sahara, to the house, meaning either the other one was
2 junior or didn't speak English. So he is the only one that spoke all the
3 time in Indian, sounding English and ...
- 4 **Adv N Kanyane** : Is that the one you recognised from your previous engagement in
5 China?
- 6 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes, he is the one that introduced ... Mr Zuma introduced to me in the
7 flight.
- 8 **Adv N Kanyane** : Yes.
- 9 **Adv T Madonsela** : And the one that introduce Mr Zuma in the flight is not Ajay, is
10 somebody else?
- 11 **Ms V Mentor** : No, it is not Aj.
- 12 **Adv T Madonsela** : He is a young guy, Ajay?
- 13 **Ms V Mentor** : Yeah. This one I was meeting for the first time in Sahara, *this* one.
- 14 **Adv N Kanyane** : So you met Abdul in Sahara?
- 15 **Ms V Mentor** : Oh, no, no, *this* one ... actually *this* one I saw, but did not meet, like
16 speak to in China. Remember I said in the meeting room the third
17 one was there.
- 18 **Adv N Kanyane** : Yes, yes, yes.
- 19 **Ms V Mentor** : And I somehow suspect that *this* one is the one that phoned me. I
20 don't know what is the basis of my suspicion.
- 21 **Adv T Madonsela** : Okay.
- 22 **Adv N Kanyane** : But this other one now, Abdul, you met together with Mr Zuma in the
23 flight? He is one of the other brothers that you met?
- 24 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes. So you know these people, *this* one for instance I think he might
25 have gained more weight than the last time I saw him, because the

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1 two people that I had met none of them was this biggish. Seriously,
2 honestly.

3 **Adv N Kanyane** : But this picture seems to be from 2011, if this caption is correct.

4 **Ms V Mentor** : I don't know, by my memory tells me that the person that was
5 wearing a dark suit and it was in 2010. The person that I met in the
6 flight and the one that kept on speaking English I don't have an ... I do
7 have a mental note of *this* one being very stout, as compared to the
8 other when I met them at Sahara.

9 **Adv N Kanyane** : The big guy?

10 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes.

11 **Adv T Madonsela** : Alright, don't worry too much about their looks.

12 **Ms V Mentor** : Yeah.

13 **Adv T Madonsela** : I think at this stage we have a sense that your version is that you met
14 them and your version now is that Ajay you met with him at Sahara
15 and we are now at the Saxonwold. So what happened?

16 **Ms V Mentor** : So through this other English speaking guy they tell me what I can
17 have, they give me options. One option was mutton curry, not ...
18 what is this? There is non-bread and there is this other bread of the
19 Indians, that other one is dry and the other one is ...

20 **Adv T Madonsela** : Roti.

21 **Ms V Mentor** : Roti. I confuse roti and non, but they ... so eventually I asked for
22 mutton curry and they offered several Chinese ... Indian teas. I chose
23 chai tea because that is what I knew and water. They said they are
24 leaving, but then they said to me this one that I met at the office will
25 also come and meet me. So I was startled, because we had just met

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1 in the Sahara office. So then I said oh, when he said "I will see you
2 again", he meant in this house. Okay, so I sat and sat and sat. Later
3 on, maybe after two hours or more, or three, *this* guy came, but he
4 did not enter through the entrance where I was brought in through
5 the stairs. He entered from the direction of the bathroom, so it
6 means there is another entrance somewhere. I did not ... he was just
7 ... he came in and then he went past the two-seaters to sit on *this* one,
8 so he came this way.

9 Then he says, "Yes, Miss Mentor", blah, blah, blah and I go, "Oh,
10 so we meet again, so that is what you meant?". He says, "Yes" and
11 then he knew what my agenda with the President was. He startled
12 me in the office when he knew that I was meeting with the President,
13 but then I decided maybe these other ones told him, but then when
14 he came he knew what my ... you know the President was. He knew
15 that it had to do with the Pebble Bed Modular Reactor and with the
16 intellectual property, and with Human Resource.

17 I was very, very, very surprised, but I said maybe these people
18 really, really, really are very ... are managing the President's agenda.
19 So he started with the item, like he said Government must close the
20 Pebble Bed Modular Reactor, because it was burning money, blah,
21 blah, blah. So I didn't want to engage him on the issue before I
22 discuss the issue with the President, so I was evasive on that one.
23 Then he also said, "By the way, you come from the Northern Cape,
24 which is rich in uranium". So I said, "Yes and why?". He says, "No,
25 because uranium is needed for nuclear energy". I said, "Okay". So I

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1 didn't know where he was heading to, because on the one hand he
2 said South Africa must close whatever we are doing on (*indistinct*).
3 On the other hand he was interested in uranium in the Northern
4 Cape, but I did not really want to engage him. Then he proceeded to
5 talking about the turnaround strategy for SAA and then he said it was
6 not yielding results, and at that time really we had succeeded to turn
7 the SAA around. The CEO at that time was Ms Nzimande who now
8 has an airline.

9 Adv T Madonsela : Who has an airline now?

10 Ms V Mentor : Yes, she has, Nzimande. She was a CEO for SAA.

11 Adv N Kanyane : Yes, yes, I remember her.

12 Adv T Madonsela : Lindy Nzimande?

13 Adv N Kanyane : Yes.

14 Adv T Madonsela : Does she own an airline?

15 Ms V Mentor : What is her first name again?

16 Adv T Madonsela : Pindi Nzimande.

17 Ms V Mentor : Is it Pindi? No, it is not Pindi.

18 Adv T Madonsela : It is Pindi.

19 Ms V Mentor : Is it Pindi, the one that was a CEO there?

20 Adv T Madonsela : CEO.

21 Ms V Mentor : CEO at SAA?

22 Adv T Madonsela : Oh, no, it wasn't Nzimande. It is Mzimela.

23 Ms V Mentor : Mzimela, you know the tongue.

24 Adv T Madonsela : Okay, yes.

25 Ms V Mentor : Sorry and you know ...

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- 1 **Adv T Madonsela** : That is not Pindi. It is Sizakele Mzimela.
- 2 **Ms V Mentor** : Yeah, Sizakele and you know Madam, I made the same mistake in the
- 3 Police ...
- 4 **Adv T Madonsela** : Okay, because I was just saying Pindi Nzimande is ... okay, no, I know
- 5 both of them from university.
- 6 **Ms V Mentor** : Okay.
- 7 **Adv T Madonsela** : Pindi from Wits, Siza from Swaziland.
- 8 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes.
- 9 **Adv T Madonsela** : Okay.
- 10 **Ms V Mentor** : So in fact I made the same mistake with the affidavit of the Police. I
- 11 must go and check, because I said Nzimande instead of Mzimela, yes.
- 12 We had really worked hard on her to turn SAA and we were seeing
- 13 the light, it was promising. So he dropped the bombshell of the ...
- 14 because I said, "No, you know SAA is turning a corner, I'm certain. I
- 15 have looked at the figures, I have looked at this and that and that".
- 16 He said the Indian route is not profitable. It is one of the routes that
- 17 are costing SAA a lot of money, it is one of the routes that is burning
- 18 money.
- 19 It would be better if that route was closed and SAA does not fly
- 20 it. Two things came to my mind when he said that. One is that he
- 21 was an Indian from India. Two, I just felt that he was being too
- 22 probey of my work as chairing Public Enterprises and yet I did not
- 23 know actually ... I did not know where to place him. Does he work for
- 24 the Presidency, for the President, is he owning ... I know he owns
- 25 Sahara, which is a private company, so I did not understand how can



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1 a computer company Sahara then be privy to the work, like the way
2 he did, of an SOE and all those things? So he was quite daring. He
3 said to me, "Actually I have a proposal to make for you before the
4 President comes. I have an offer. If you agree to facilitate the closure
5 of the Indian route to the extent that SAA stops flying that route, you
6 could be a Minister of Public Enterprises in a week's time".

7 I was very shocked. I was actually startled, but I decided to
8 play dumb, but also I wanted more information you know to test
9 actually who is this person, where is he coming from, what authority
10 does he have to say all these things, to know all these things about
11 my agenda items with the President and to go even further than it,
12 and outside it?

13 So I said to him, "Firstly that route I think is profitable, because
14 we receive annual reports and all those things" and secondly I said to
15 him, "How would you make me a Minister of Public Enterprises in a
16 week's time?". Then he said, "I can put word for you for the
17 President" and then I looked at him. There was silence between us
18 that was very thick and he went further, he said, "We usually do".

19 He didn't say, "I usually do", whereas he first said, "I put word
20 for you with the President". After that pause he said, "We usually do"
21 in plural. So I asked him, "Who are 'we'?" and he did not respond.
22 During the discussion he had touched on uranium and nuclear
23 energy and all those things, but then I became very tense and very
24 worried, and I was actually also becoming confrontational, like I was
25 becoming angry.

[Discussions amongst each other]

Adv T Madonsela : Right, I don't know, are we going to break or should we finish the story? How much more do you have left?

Ms V Mentor : Except to introduce you to what I ... yeah, if you give me 20 minutes.

Adv T Madonsela : Yeah, if we can just finish the point, yes and then ...

Ms V Mentor : Yes. Okay, I was getting very agitated and angry, and I was beginning to get confrontational and I was beginning to raise my voice. Before he came I had called a friend of mine, because I was ... just before he came I was noticing that time was lapsing, so I called my friend. I hope he will tell the ... she will tell the truth. She is Daphne Mashile ~~Nkosi~~ the one that owns a mine(?). I see you guys are looking at each other, I don't know why?

Adv T Madonsela : Yeah, because (*indistinct*).

Ms V Mentor : Ah. I told ... I said to Daphne ...

Adv T Madonsela : Okay, no, no, let's proceed Madam. There is no harm in trying.

Ms V Mentor : I'm very observant, but I said to Daphne, "Daphne, I'm in Jo'burg. I was supposed to see the President. When this guy came, *this one*, he told me that the President was held up in Luthuli House. He said there was a matter with COSATU that he was discussing around labour strikes. The President had budgeted time" ... may I proceed or should I (*indistinct*)?

Adv T Madonsela : I think you can proceed.

Ms V Mentor : We can proceed, okay. The President ... the meeting with COSATU, as he told me, was overrunning beyond what the President anticipated,

SO ...

1 **Adv N Kanyane** : He was delayed?

2 **Ms V Mentor** : Yeah, he was delayed, so the President asked me to have patience
3 when he came, but before he came I had phoned Daphne, to say,
4 "Daphne, I am in Jo'burg. I came to see the President, however I
5 don't know if I will be able to return to Cape Town today", because I
6 was on crutches and if you forfeit your passenger assistance you are
7 in trouble.

8 So I said to her, "If shove comes to push, I request to come and
9 sleep by your house" and then she said it is okay. Just before *this* one
10 came she called me again to ask if I'm still around and I said to her,
11 "No, yes, if I do leave ... it there is ... if I do leave for the airport, I will
12 tell you and if I don't get the flight from the airport, I will phone you
13 still to say I am coming", because I didn't want to have telephonic
14 discussions. Then thereafter I switched off my phone.

15 So *this* one came and then the discussion that I elaborated on
16 took place. As soon as I got agitated, as soon as I became angry the
17 President walked in. He also walked in from the same direction that
18 *this* guy walked in. He did not come in from the ...

19 **Adv N Kanyane** : The front?

20 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes, so he was just standing there. He came through the two couches
21 and as he entered, as protocol requires I rose to greet him and to
22 honour him as the Head of State, and he greeted me, we shook hands
23 and he said, "Please take your seat". I took my seat and then I was
24 still very angry. Also what made me even further angry is, as I stood
25 to respect the President protocol wise *this* guy remained sitting. So

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1 just before I sat the President said I can take a seat, but before I sat I
2 said to the President, "You just walked in when I was getting very,
3 very, very disheartened and angry" and whilst we were still standing
4 I said to the President, "This guy knew that I was meeting you and
5 the other ones that fetched me from the airport. He also knew the
6 items of agenda that I was supposed to discuss with you, but he also
7 told me that I should stop the SAA from flying to India, I should
8 facilitate" – that is the word he used – "and if I do so I could be a
9 Minister of Public Enterprises in a week's time, because Cabinet is
10 going to be reshuffled".

11 I said, "I don't know Mister President, how he knows all these
12 things". So the air in the room became very awkward and he was
13 trying to talk me down, like as I was talking to the President he was
14 trying to speak over my voice, but he was still seated. So I became
15 more angry and I looked at the President. I asked myself whether I
16 should sit or I should ... whether I should go, but the President's
17 response was not very encouraging. I was very, very, very angry and
18 I was very loud, especially when I saw him.

19 What angered me the most was this guy is not even standing to
20 respect the President, but the President was very calm. He was not
21 worried. I was the mad person in that room. What I was trying to
22 register with him that what happened was wrong and out of the way.
23 He treated ... either he treated me very cool or he treated what I was
24 reporting to him cool, or he didn't care or both, or all three. So he
25 kept on saying, "No, don't worry, don't worry, ntombazana don't

1 worry, don't worry". I didn't understand what that meant. So he
2 said, "Please take your seat". At that time I was adamant I was not
3 going to sit. I decided in my mind maybe I should get myself out of
4 this situation. So I said to him, "Mister President, it took so long
5 waiting for you, I waited at the Sahara buildings, I waited in this
6 house. I was told what I was told, which I think it is out of order and
7 I think I'm going to miss my flight, and I actually feel like
8 disrespected".

9 **Adv N Kanyane** : You said that to him?

10 **Ms V Mentor** : I didn't say "disrespected", but something like I feel ... I don't know
11 the word, but almost disrespected. I can't remember the exact ... but
12 I told him that I was not happy, I don't think I was treated fairly.
13 Then I said to him, "I was told only last night" ... in fact I said to him,
14 "It took many, many, many months" ... and in fact I teased him, I
15 asked him about the China incident, the call from ... the calls from
16 reception. I said, "And over and above that Mister President, there
17 was this thing. What was that thing that happened in China where I
18 was called to your" ...

19 **[Interruption in the proceedings]**

20 **Adv T Madonsela** : Just one fact ... one detail that I'm interested in. You came to see the
21 President. You were invited by Ms Lakela Kaunda, who then gave
22 you the name of this person ...

23 **Adv N Kanyane** : And the phone number.

24 **Adv T Madonsela** : ... and the phone number, and then thereafter you were interacting
25 directly with this person. So towards the end, going to that meeting

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- 1 this person was your contact person?
- 2 **Ms V Mentor** : We only spoke that night.
- 3 **Adv T Madonsela** : You spoke once?
- 4 **Ms V Mentor** : With this person that night, I mean regarding the ...
- 5 **Adv T Madonsela** : Oh, one of the people that was contacting you, yes.
- 6 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes.
- 7 **Adv T Madonsela** : And at that stage you were the Chairperson of the Portfolio
8 Committee on Public Enterprises?
- 9 **Ms V Mentor** : I still was. I was not yet removed, although ...
- 10 **Adv T Madonsela** : Yeah.
- 11 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes, yes.
- 12 **Adv T Madonsela** : Okay, on that night you were still the Chairperson or had you already
13 been informed that you will be removed?
- 14 **Ms V Mentor** : I was not already informed, although there had been the Speaker's
15 (Indistinct), there had been ...
- 16 **Adv T Madonsela** : No, no, yes, but I just want to know that at that stage nobody had
17 told you, you were going to be removed?
- 18 **Ms V Mentor** : No, no.
- 19 **Adv T Madonsela** : Okay, that is all I wanted to confirm.
- 20 **Ms V Mentor** : Yeah. If anybody had told me I wouldn't have taken the opportunity,
21 because the responsibility for all those things would fall away from
22 my shoulders.
- 23 **Adv T Madonsela** : No, because then later I would want to find out how soon after the
24 alleged Saxonwold meeting were you removed from office?
- 25 **Ms V Mentor** : I think ... I will go and check Madam, because there is also on the

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1 website, I mean on the ANC Parliamentary website and also on the
2 newspapers there is a date.

3 **Adv T Madonsela** : Okay.

4 **Ms V Mentor** : I will go and recheck, but I know the reason why I'm answering
5 confidently that I was still Chair, in my set of values I would not have
6 proceeded to see the President if I was removed already from the
7 position.

8 **Adv N Kanyane** : Also you had booked a flight via the Parliament's ...

9 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes, I had booked a flight, but they told me they are also getting ...

10 **Adv N Kanyane** : Yes, I'm saying you couldn't have done that if you were already
11 removed?

12 **Ms V Mentor** : No, no, I would have still.

13 **Adv N Kanyane** : You would have, because you were an NP still?

14 **Ms V Mentor** : Because I was still an NP, yeah, I could have still.

15 **Adv N Kanyane** : I wanted to ask now, you said you had now told him about
16 everything that has happened before he came, you teased him about
17 the China incident, you told him also about the delays in getting to
18 meet with him. Who is present now in that room?

19 **Ms V Mentor** : It is only this guy, the President and me, we are only three.

20 **Adv N Kanyane** : The eldest one and you and him?

21 **Ms V Mentor** : Yeah, remember the others left and said if I needed anything. The
22 chef did bring the food, I forgot to say, eventually, the roti and
23 whatever and ... so they left.

24 **Adv N Kanyane** : So it was the three of you?

25 **Ms V Mentor** : So it was three, yes.

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1 **Adv N Kanyane** : Okay and the offer when it was made to you, you were ...

2 **Ms V Mentor** : We were two.

3 **Adv N Kanyane** : It was the two of you?

4 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes, but what struck me is the swiftness with which the President
5 entered the room once I declined the offer and I got agitated, because
6 I said to ... I asked him, "How would you get it right to get me
7 appointed?". He said, "Put word for you with the President". He said
8 ... and then he said, "We normally do, we usually do", you know and
9 then ... so ...

10 **Adv T Madonsela** : So did you specifically say, "No, I'm not interested"?

11 **Ms V Mentor** : I said I would never do that. I told him I would never do that,
12 because firstly I said to him, "I don't even know who you are and as
13 far as I know it is wrong for anybody, other than the President or
14 Luthuli House, to tell people that they would be Ministers". So I had
15 declined the offer, but I was also very agitated.

16 **Adv T Madonsela** : Okay.

17 **Ms V Mentor** : When the President walked in I have already narrated what I said
18 and I asked him about the China incident, the reception phone call.
19 He again said very coolly, "Don't worry" and I said, "But what does
20 that mean, Mister President, I really want to know?". He did not deny
21 that he had called me, I mean he had sent a guy that said he was a
22 Gupta.

23 **Adv N Kanyane** : That the meeting was arranged in the manner that it was?

24 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes, he said I mustn't worry. So I said to him, "Mister President, I
25 have a problem actually, so maybe I should leave, because I was

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1 called late last night, short notice, for a meeting I have tried to
2 arrange for many, many, many months and after trying for many,
3 many months this happens", so.

4 **Adv N Kanyane** : So you never got to discuss what you wanted to discuss with the
5 President?

6 **Ms V Mentor** : No, we were standing as we spoke, because as I said I was already
7 angry, but when this guy didn't stand up I got angry, so I just ... I
8 think I failed to control myself. He offered ... he said, "Sit down" and I
9 went ahead and then his coolness further angered me. I became
10 louder and louder, which I shouldn't have been to the President, but
11 he kept on saying, "Don't worry, ntombazana" and then I was not
12 getting what I wanted from him.

13 I also thought he would get very angry when I tell him that this
14 guy offered me a Ministerial position. He didn't get angry, so I
15 appeared like a fool. So I said, "Mister President, maybe I should go"
16 and then he said, "I am" ... then I said, "Mister President, you can see
17 I'm on crutches, it was a struggle for me to come here in the first
18 place, to wait for you the whole day. I started waiting at Sahara, I
19 waited here, I was insulted".

20 I took that as an insult, that offer and the whole thing and I said,
21 "And then it turns out that (*indistinct*)" and then he said, "If I knew
22 that you were in crutches" ... in fact he said, "If I knew you were still
23 in crutches" ... still, meaning probably he knew from China that I was
24 in ... I don't know, "I would not have called you at this stage". So I
25 requested to be discharged and the President took my bag, which

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had been sitting on the two-seater couch where I was sitting and I took my crutches, and he escorted me out of ... before that, whilst we were standing this guy still seated said to the President could they offer him something to eat, and the President said to this guy, "No, I will eat any son's place, like next-door". So I asked him, "Which son next-door?". Then he said, "Duduzane Tonsile(?)".

Mr B Dhlamini : Duduzane?

Adv N Kanyane : Duduzane?

Ms V Mentor : Yeah, so that is how I knew that Duduzane stays in that complex.

Adv T Madonsela : Close by?

Ms V Mentor : Yes, close by. He even said ... went further and said that he had not eaten then there at Duduzane's place for many times. He ate in this house many times and Duduzane is not happy about it, so he has to go and eat by Duduzane's house that day. So my mind was very ... but he escorted me very ... like a gentleman, he carried my handbag. He took every step together with me by my side when I went down the stairs, and I think as we went out this guy could have phoned the black twin-cab to come around.

It means they were not far. We went, it parked there and then the President himself opened the bakkie door for me at the back, put my leg first into the twin-cab, helped me into the vehicle, in the same way that these two guys that picked me up from the airport were helping me through the day.

Adv T Madonsela : Who helped you to the car now?

Ms V Mentor : The President.

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Duduzane
crutches

1 Adv T Madonsela : Okay.

2 Adv N Kanyane : What did the President say when you teased him about the incident,
3 the China incident?

4 Ms V Mentor : He just said I mustn't worry. All the time ... everything I said to him
5 about the offer, "Don't worry, ntombazana, don't worry", but in the
6 overall he said if he knew I was still on crutches he wouldn't have
7 called me at this stage. He would have called me at another stage, a
8 later stage. So I took it that he might still call me maybe away from
9 these people, *this man*.

10 I was very, very angry and then only in the car I put my cell
11 phone on, because I had switched it off after I spoke to Daphne for
12 the second time and I phoned Daphne again, and I told her "I am
13 trying to go to the airport. I don't know if I will get a flight. If I don't
14 get a flight, I will call you and I will come back to you, to your house
15 to put up there". Then she wanted details of the meeting on the
16 phone and I said to her, "I can't discuss that over the phone. I will tell
17 you when we meet". Luckily for me on the day I got a flight, but
18 shortly thereafter I had an engagement in Pretoria.

19 So when I heard the news of the reshuffle, it was the following
20 Sunday and I had met Daphne over the weekend, I met ... when I
21 went to that trip I met ... I went to see her and I told her what
22 happened to me on that day when I said I would go and ask for
23 accommodation by her house. I came back. At that time I was still a
24 member of the Joint Standing Committee on Intelligence. I digested
25 this for a few days and then I told somebody that I trusted in that

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- 1 Committee, who was also a member of that Committee. She was ...
- 2 **Adv N Kanyane** : You don't want to disclose the name?
- 3 **Ms V Mentor** : Yeah ... you see she is from KZN, she is ... I can give you the name, but
- 4 she is on and off. She might not corroborate, she may corroborate,
- 5 but in fact she has been calling me a lot since the public flare of the
- 6 Guptas and I have known her since we stayed ... we were in that
- 7 Committee, to be a person that totally abhor corruption and
- 8 wrongdoing, hence I targeted her to tell her.
- 9 **Adv T Madonsela** : Is she still in Parliament?
- 10 **Ms V Mentor** : Uh-uh (*negative*), she is not. She said she is sitting on the Arts and
- 11 Culture Board or something.
- 12 **Adv T Madonsela** : So she probably ... she might confidentially talk to us.
- 13 **Ms V Mentor** : Yeah.
- 14 **Adv T Madonsela** : If you want to write the name down.
- 15 **Ms V Mentor** : Yeah, she has been phoning me, like encouraging me to ... and
- 16 supporting me. So I would be surprised if she would be (*indistinct*),
- 17 although sometimes, because she is from KZN I treat her with
- 18 caution.
- 19 **Adv T Madonsela** : No, in the KZN there are people who are anticorruption. We have
- 20 had a whistleblower for example on another case, where a very
- 21 senior member of the Executive (*indistinct*).
- 22 **Ms V Mentor** : I will write the name down for you, Madam, okay and if you struggle
- 23 to get her number, I can ... when I give you the documents I will write
- 24 the name of the number from which she calls me when we speak
- 25 about this case.

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1 **Adv T Madonsela** : Yes, alright.

2 **Ms V Mentor** : Because I know she plays safe when she phones me, when she speaks
3 about this because of her intelligence background, yes.

4 **Adv T Madonsela** : We will see if she (*indistinct*).

5 **Ms V Mentor** : Now the following Sunday as I was coming from Pretoria and from
6 Daphne's, because I was still on crutches, my daughter had picked
7 me up from the airport and there we go ...

8 **Adv T Madonsela** : So you stayed at Daphne's for the rest of the week?

9 **Ms V Mentor** : No, normally ... sometimes I go a lot to Daphne's. Even three weeks
10 ago her child was in hospital, I went to see the child, because the
11 child has been sick for a while now. Most of the time I would do
12 business, whatever I do business for and on the last day when I'm
13 free then I would either pop in or put up for a night at ... because we
14 are friends from UDF days.

15 She used to work for the DPSC Office, Detainees Parents
16 Support Committee and she used to be responsible ... before she was
17 arrested she was responsible for me and a certain group through
18 Priscilla Jana, the Lawyer, so she would send us stuff. So when I
19 came out of prison she is the first port of call that I touched base
20 with, so.

21 **Adv T Madonsela** : I think she will assist then?

22 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes.

23 **Adv T Madonsela** : Just to corroborate that you spoke to the ... you were at the event.
24 That is all and if she is assisting to ... if she is willing to assist, we
25 might not mention her name.

1 Ms V Mentor : I don't ... I will ...

2 Adv T Madonsela : We will just say the person corroborated. Even the lady in KZN, if
3 she corroborates, we might not want to say who. We will just say the
4 witness that you mentioned corroborated your story.

5 Ms V Mentor : So that was the ... so the Sunday, here we go, played radio. Sunday
6 afternoon President Zuma is announcing permanent reshuffle, blah,
7 blah, blah and ...

8 Adv T Madonsela : And who then was appointed to that Portfolio?

9 Adv N Kanyane : Malusi Gigaba.

10 Ms V Mentor : Malusi Gigaba, which is another interesting figure, which I will
11 (indistinct) when I (indistinct) that thing. It is (indistinct) Malusi
12 Gigaba. In fact I did not even know that what this guy had asked me
13 to do was done under ...

14 Adv N Kanyane : Yeah, I wanted to ask was the route then cancelled?

15 Ms V Mentor : I didn't know until when this (indistinct) rose up again and Barbara
16 Hogan went on Power FM and she said, "Yes, that route was
17 subsequently cancelled" and that she was given pressure to meet
18 with the airline. In fact what I did not ask or what I did not say, I
19 asked this guy, "Do you own an airline?" when she said I must ... then
20 she said he is a partner with an Indian airline, because I said, "Why
21 would it be useful for you to" ... for them, but anyway, so as the radio
22 announces I tried to phone Daphne and Daphne calls me too, so I
23 don't know who picked who, but we eventually spoke on the spot
24 and I said, "Madam" ... we call each other "Madam". I said, "Madam,
25 there we go, as I had just told you, what I was told is now

1 special caucus meeting. In fact I heard on the radio and then my PA
2 phoned for Public Enterprises and my Committee Secretary also
3 phoned, say, "Madam, we don't have very good news" and I said, "I
4 know already". Then they said, "We are so sorry". I said, "No, it is
5 okay". I mean I had to be strong for them and for myself also.

6 **Adv T Madonsela :** But you were kept in Parliament (*Indistinct*) after that for the rest of
7 the term?

8 **Ms V Mentor :** Yes.

9 **Adv T Madonsela :** And then for the new term your name was not put?

10 **Ms V Mentor :** At the end of the term when Parliament ... just like a few days after
11 Parliament rose for electioneering I got this bad injury that was not
12 innocent.

13 **Adv T Madonsela :** Okay.

14 **Ms V Mentor :** Just before that Madam PP, I didn't want to ... maybe ...

15 **Adv T Madonsela :** How did you get injured?

16 **Ms V Mentor :** Maybe you must switch off this thing, because I don't want to ...

17 **[Go off record // Back on record]**

18 **Adv T Madonsela :** ... about the offer from Mr Gupta, did you tell the President that Mr
19 Gupta offered you the position for Minister in exchange for cancelling
20 a route?

21 **Ms V Mentor :** Yes, Madam, I told him that and I told him whilst I was standing.

22 **Adv T Madonsela :** Yes and what was the President's reaction to both the offer and the
23 indication that the offer was conditional on you cancelling the route?

24 **Ms V Mentor :** The President surprised me, because he turned the whole situation
25 on me, like he said I must not worry and he said I must calm down,

1 like he did not ... and he turned me into a mad, angry person. He said,
2 "Calm down ntombazana", like it is okay.

3 **Adv T Madonsela** : So then the President never followed up with you to find out about
4 your alleged suggestion ... indication that someone wants a route
5 cancelled?

6 **Ms V Mentor** : No, the President never ... and you know what is funny Madam, when
7 the Guptas used the air force, the Waterkloof Airbase, I also wrote
8 something similar and about the President. I said yes, they have a
9 leverage because they are very close to the President and this and
10 that and that, and you know the President if he is not on social media
11 himself, his staff is.

12 **Adv T Madonsela** : Yes, what was the response?

13 **Ms V Mentor** : I expected if I was somebody that is spoken about like that on the
14 social media platform and it is an untruth, I would sue the person,
15 especially if I'm Head of State and I have a lot of resources, and the
16 President doesn't blink ... our Government doesn't blink to go to
17 court, to use money to go to court. They go to court every day ...

18 **Adv N Kanyane** : That is true.

19 **Ms V Mentor** : ... even with cases that they know they would lose. We have lost
20 billions of rands. So I dared them, I wrote about him and the Guptas,
21 and I think I hinted on this incident. If you go down to my wall,
22 around the time when the Watergate ... sorry, not Watergate ... what
23 is it called?

24 **Adv N Kanyane** : Waterkloof.

25 **Ms V Mentor** : Waterkloof, yes, happened and then somebody said I had a problem

1 with the President, blah, blah, blah and then I even wrote about other
2 things that are more serious, about the President ... and I don't want
3 this to form part of the investigation, but you can record it. I even
4 wrote ... because I wrote it out there and I even wrote round those
5 weeks of the Watergate, that if ... no, they said I hate the President
6 and all those things, and almost a personal vendetta, whatever. I
7 wrote on that wall and I said the President had made sexual
8 advances to me.

9 No, I said ... I didn't put it that way initially, I don't even ... but I
10 said no, the President had wanted me to do certain things with him
11 and for him whilst I served as Chair of Caucus and whilst I served as
12 Public Enterprises Chair, and I resisted doing those things with and
13 for the President and still I don't hate him. I hate what he does, but I
14 don't hate him as a person. Then a certain lady from KZN, who is
15 also connected to the President in terms of business, asked me on the
16 thread can I expatiate and will I be able to say the things I wrote
17 there under oath, or in a Court of Law?

18 I said ... I wrote on the wall, I said, I never say anything, more so
19 on a public space or media, something that will stay there for long,
20 something that is not true or that I cannot corroborate, so it was the
21 end. So even on that second instance I mean the President with
22 marshal(?) of resources should have taken that up. He didn't. Also
23 with the issue of the Guptas, when it ... I was in Thailand when a DA
24 member wrote about it. How it started, somebody put our
25 Government ... is it logo, what do you call it?

1 **Adv N Kanyane** : Oh, yes.

2 **Ms V Mentor** : Yeah, with the head of a Gupta.

3 **Adv N Kanyane** : The Code of Arms.

4 **Ms V Mentor** : The Code of Arms, the Code of Arms with the head of a Gupta.

5 **Adv N Kanyane** : Yes, I have seen that.

6 **Ms V Mentor** : And that time the Rating Agency was in the country. So I said in that
7 ... under this (*indistinct*) this is how like our economy went down, like
8 because our Government is Gupta-rised. So somebody asked how
9 and I knew it was a provocation, and I deliberately wrote and I said ...
10 you know they descended upon me, the defendants of the President
11 and the Guptas on the thread. It was a thread of a certain Abrie,
12 called Abrie or what of DA. I said no, you can see what he ... I know
13 for sure why I'm saying this, I was offered a Ministerial position by
14 the Guptas for cancelling the route.

15 **Adv T Madonsela** : Can I ask Miss Mentor, this happened in 2010 and you only went
16 public with it in March 2016. Why then?

17 **Ms V Mentor** : I hinted at it not in so many word when the Watergate ... the
18 Waterkloof happened, without going further than I went there, but
19 Madam Public Protector, firstly I was in a hospital for a long, long
20 time, from 2013 ... firstly before from 2013 I had to deal with my
21 removal as Chair, which was un-ceremonial, which I was not even
22 told about, so I did not want to be seen to be hitting back because of
23 my removal. So I decided to allow everything to abide(subside), but
24 in the meantime I started reading and researching and doing all of
25 this. That was my first reason, that you don't just get removed and

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1 then you say, "By the way". People will say, "Why were you quiet?",
2 but also I got injured, I (*indistinct*) and after months in hospital I
3 recuperated at home or a long, long, long time. So my priority was to
4 recuperate, but I had an intention that once I become armed with
5 further information that would ... once the opportunity presents itself
6 and I have more ammunition, because I was busy researching, I
7 would go public, hence after the Watergate situation I hinted and I
8 went to research.

9 I went to an extent of researching who the Guptas are, where
10 they come from, what economic condition they came into the
11 country under and all those things. I saw the post of DA guy as an
12 opportune moment. I had researched enough, I had gathered facts, I
13 had gathered information online, which is open source and I was
14 ready to show ... because that time it was difficult for me, because the
15 President walked in, but he was not in when I was offered.

16 So it was not very (*indistinct*), but after my lengthy research I
17 became convinced that something very, very wrong going on, but
18 also the incremental nature of brazen corruption and looting that is
19 continuing by the Executive and connected people and the Guptas is
20 cause for concern that prompted me, but I decided after the
21 Waterkloof incident that I'm going to go public. That was the actual
22 ... what do you call this thing?

23 Adv N Kanyane : Trigger?

24 Ms V Mentor : Trigger, but remember which month did that happen? Then it was ...
25 no, the second trigger was the Nene(?).

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1 **Adv N Kanyane** : Nhlanhla Nene?

2 **Ms V Mentor** : Nhlanhla. If you go to my wall in December, around Nhlanhla Nene, I
3 took gloves off. I also spoke about that. I said Van Rooyen is a Gupta
4 appointee, the President has appointed a Gupta appointee ...

5 **Adv T Madonsela** : Why did you say that? What do you know about Mr Van Rooyen's
6 relationship with the Guptas?

7 **Ms V Mentor** : Mr Van Rooyen incidentally came to Parliament shortly before the
8 end of the last term and he was put in the Board of Pension Fund,
9 which I chaired and he had no clue of anything. So firstly I knew that
10 he is not fit to be a Minister of Finance, but people started saying in
11 the social media and in the media open source that he is linked to the
12 Guptas.

13 So I did a bit of research and gained the courage to also echo
14 that chorus that he was a Gupta appointee and nobody challenged
15 my assertion on social media. I must say that I have members of the
16 ANC across the board and of opposition parties who are my friends
17 on social media for various reasons and purposes, and whenever I
18 write things, ANC members ... Gwede was once my friend, Jessie
19 Duarte was, I blocked them.

20 They would take issue with the things I say, but if I know that I
21 can stand my ground, I write what I want to write, because I
22 deliberately chose social media as an arena and an avenue of
23 exposing wrongdoing, because I am now limited in terms of
24 movement, in terms of physical activity, in terms of resources and I
25 have not began to expose corruption now.

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1 **Adv T Madonsela** : Right, in your allegations you also included Lynne Brown, Rob
2 Davies, Mapisa-Nqakula and what do you know about them and
3 Guptas, and what evidence do you have?

4 **Ms V Mentor** : The reason why I included Rob Davies is because ... for two reasons.
5 One, as I have already said these Indian guys that I later came to
6 know as the family of the Gupta, were mingling with people that
7 were around him in China, but also Iqbal ... did I say ... I think is it
8 Iqbal Shruti or Iqbal Sharma?

9 **Adv N Kanyane** : Iqbal Shruti.

10 **Ms V Mentor** : Who is Iqbal Shruti?

11 **Adv N Kanyane** : Shruti (*indistinct*).

12 **Adv T Madonsela** : The (*indistinct*) who is with the independent media.

13 **Ms V Mentor** : Media, no, not that one. Sharma.

14 **Adv T Madonsela** : There is the other one who is with Vodacom or something, yes.

15 **Ms V Mentor** : Yeah.

16 **Adv T Madonsela** : There is also Iqbal at DTI who featured in that investigation ...

17 **Ms V Mentor** : He used to be at DTI.

18 **Adv T Madonsela** : ... in that investigation that we did on alleged corruption involving
19 Iraq, yes.

20 **Ms V Mentor** : That is the Iqbal, I think is Sharma, is the one that was in DTI and
21 who is currently sitting on the Eskom Board, and who is dishing
22 tenders ... not tenders, contracts to Oakbay and related companies.

23 **Adv T Madonsela** : But how do you know that, that Iqbal ... you said it is Iqbal?

24 **Ms V Mentor** : Iqbal, I think it is Sharma, S-H-A-R-M-A. He is currently sitting on the
25 board.

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1 **Adv T Madonsela** : Yes.

2 **Ms V Mentor** : Madam PP, if you go to the documents I sent you during the
3 investigation around my trip to China, I attached an invitation from
4 DTI that came from that Iqbal.

5 **Adv T Madonsela** : But that is incomplete.

6 **Ms V Mentor** : But I think it is Sharma.

7 **Adv T Madonsela** : But I'm sure that ... you said there is a file that was given to me
8 yesterday. I only saw *this* part of it, so I will look at it when we get
9 back and see what is inside, but we will then make sure that what Ms
10 Mentor said she gave us should be in the file.

11 **Adv N Kanyane** : But that won't be in there. It will be in a different file.

12 **Mr B Dhlamini** : In a different file.

13 **Adv T Madonsela** : Oh, yes.

14 **Mr B Dhlamini** : Yeah, it is in a different file.

15 **Adv T Madonsela** : Alright, then let's just extract that statement from the trip to China as
16 a copy and call it a ...

17 **Ms V Mentor** : The invitation, yes.

18 **Adv T Madonsela** : So you say (*Indistinct*) to Guptas, but how do you know he does that,
19 because there is a board then and one person can't dish tenders to
20 anyone?

21 **Ms V Mentor** : Madam, I'm not ...

22 **Adv T Madonsela** : Or there is Tender Committees.

23 **Ms V Mentor** : Yeah, supposedly. In fact you know what ...

24 **Adv T Madonsela** : Supposedly.

25 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes. There is a very ... I will send you a link, there is a very

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informative ... I have got numerous of them and I sent them to the Hawks also. I did my research on open source, but the most instrumental and informative source is amaBhungane, is the investigative arm of Mail & Guardian. They are really good in investigative journalism.

Adv T Madonsela : So but what does this person have to do with Rob Davies, because you mentioned Rob Davies, but you have included this fellow then as another person?

Ms V Mentor : Yes. Rob Davies ... in fact I have since removed him from the secondary affidavit of the ...

Adv T Madonsela : Okay, because ... just of China, alright.

Ms V Mentor : Yeah, just of China, but also Iqbal comes from ... he ejected ... in my opinion he ejected Iqbal to go to Transnet or he should have ... I don't know, but the trip of China and Iqbal is linked to Rob, but in my first affidavit with the Police, which is *this* one, I mentioned it, but in my secondary one ... I will tell you why I removed him, but remind me to give you the copy.

Adv N Kanyane : A copy, yes. Yeah, I made a copy.

Ms V Mentor : Yeah, here it is.

Adv T Madonsela : Okay, so in your view then we should remove Rob Davies?

Ms V Mentor : For now, yes.

Adv T Madonsela : Okay.

Ms V Mentor : But also why I included him, mistakenly I thought that IDC, Industrial Development Corporation, falls under Trade & Industry, only to find that it falls under Economic Affairs.

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1 **Adv T Madonsela** : Alright, there is a loan there that you mentioned?

2 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes.

3 **Adv T Madonsela** : What do you know about that loan?

4 **Ms V Mentor** : IDC gave the Guptas a loan of 250 million and they don't dispute that.
5 They actually issued a rebuttal on my segment. Somebody showed
6 them my initial ...

7 **Adv T Madonsela** : What was the amount?

8 **Ms V Mentor** : 250.

9 **Adv T Madonsela** : 250 million?

10 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes. In this statement to the Police these Detectives, two of them,
11 senior ... supposed to be senior, I asked that I don't want to go to the
12 Police Station to make a *(indistinct)* where I will be listened to when I
13 lay a charge. So I asked the leadership in the Police to send people to
14 come and take a statement from my house. He sent me two Captains.
15 So we spent from nine o'clock (09:00) until past ten (22:00) in the
16 evening compiling this, but how he compile it, I was speaking, they
17 were writing, handwriting. So they took ... I signed it, they took it. It
18 was ... they went away with it. It was typed.

19 **Adv T Madonsela** : Can we have a copy of that?

20 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes, I brought it for you, Madam.

21 **Adv T Madonsela** : Alright, thank you.

22 **Ms V Mentor** : They went to type it in the office and then when they came back with
23 it after more than a month, it was ... there were difficulties here and
24 there, but I think those are innocent difficulties from a person that is
25 writing ... and the one is speaking, one is writing, a different one is

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1 typing.

2 Adv T Madonsela : Okay.

3 Ms V Mentor : So I corrected some of the things, but by that time I knew already
4 that IDC doesn't fall under ...

5 Adv T Madonsela : Can you initial it on every page for us?

6 Ms V Mentor : Okay. Alright, because I initialled only the ... these are the
7 corrections that I have inserted in the secondary ...

8 Adv T Madonsela : Yeah, no, that is fine.

9 Ms V Mentor : Okay.

10 Adv T Madonsela : That is why I need it initialled, so that ...

11 Ms V Mentor : Yeah. I will tell you I parked with the Hawks for now, the Ministers,
12 first starting with Rob Davies, but I want to pursue the Lynne Brown
13 matter.

14 Adv T Madonsela : Okay, Lynne Brown what has she done that is evidence of her being
15 (indistinct)?

16 Ms V Mentor : She has appointed board members into Eskom that are business
17 partners or are associates with the Guptas and they are quite in
18 number, about 4 or so.

19 Adv T Madonsela : Do you know their names?

20 Ms V Mentor : Their names are scattered in this rough presentation by ...

21 Adv T Madonsela : Okay, no, that is fine.

22 Ms V Mentor : Yes, which I'm going to tidy up.

23 Adv T Madonsela : Alright.

24 Ms V Mentor : There is one Essa, E ... the main ... Salim Essa, S-A-I ... Salim, E-S-S-A,
25 he is big fish of the Guptas.

1 Adv T Madonsela : Okay, but whilst you are going to tidy it up, if you don't mind, if you
2 are comfortable with what you have, we could photocopy that stuff ...

3 Ms V Mentor : It is *deurmekaar*.

4 Adv T Madonsela : ... and still put it on file. It is better than not having anything.

5 Ms V Mentor : No, I was planning to ... the ladies that brought ... the people that
6 brought the signed subpoena to me, I was going to ask that they can
7 come to my house either tomorrow late to fetch a (*indistinct*) one,
8 because in my mind I work very haphazardly, then I type up later.

9 Adv T Madonsela : Okay. Without ... because we don't want to keep you too much.
10 Mister Mapisa-Nqakula what has she got to do with the Guptas?

11 Ms V Mentor : There is this company ... he actually attracted my attention when he
12 went to Saudi Arabia ... okay, it is fine, it is his line function. When he
13 went to Saudi Arabia with the President and Maite and Nkoana-
14 Mashabane and Gigaba, and the Guptas to launch an arms
15 manufacturing company there to open it ... what is the English
16 (*indistinct*)? I don't know what to ... but then I read ... I researched, I
17 found out that Defence ... Department of Defence that falls under
18 Minister Mapisa-Nqakula, if I didn't see him on the trip I wouldn't
19 have put his ... her name.

20 With the loan, amongst other things, Oakbay and the Guptas
21 bought a company called Shiva Uranium and subsequent to that
22 Denel partnered with ... Denel also falls under Public Enterprises, so
23 that brings the issue of Lynne Brown also there and then she,
24 Minister Lynne Brown, ejected, suspended or whatever two people
25 that opposed the Denel partnering with the Guptas. They are still out

1 there. Then put in new ones who then signed the partnership
2 between Denel and Shiva Uranium opening this, a subsidiary of
3 Oakbay. Then Denel went to Asia, together with a Gupta company,
4 Shiva Uranium. No, before they went there they opened another
5 company called Laser something, BR Laser, BR Laser. It is a steel
6 cutting company. So then they went to Asia with Denel to partner,
7 they opened an Asia office and penetrate the Asian market, arms
8 production markets and steel whatever markets.

9 Oakbay would not have done it without Denel, because they
10 don't have the expertise, so they are riding on the back of Denel that
11 has got the expertise and the name, and the reputation internally. As
12 if that was not enough, then VC ... VR Basel, a steel cutting company,
13 has been given money, lots of money by ... and this I also sourced in
14 the open source, by Defence to cut Defence vehicles that will still be
15 manufactured. So the analogy I used is I want to open a tuck shop, I
16 don't have the money. I go to the PP and say, "PP, loan me the money
17 to buy stock for my tuck shop".

18 PP loans me 250 ... let's say R2 500.00. I buy the stock, the
19 company is mine, the stock is mine and I say to the PP, "I will pay
20 your 2 500 in 12 months' time or 3 years' time", but I delay to pay the
21 PP and then the PP say, "Actually interest is accruing", but then later
22 on I sit with the PP in a meeting and I say, "PP, I will give you a small
23 slice of my tuck shop, then you become a partner with me in my tuck
24 shop". So you put your money, I owe you interest, but I own a bigger
25 share of the tuck shop and I still go with you to do businesses in Asia,

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in Saudi Arabia ...

Adv T Madonsela : Is that the Denel deal?

Ms V Mentor : Yes, that is the Denel deal, but there is an overlap with Defence, because Denel deals with Defence, production of Defence issues, so it is not clear cut Denel. It is Denel/Defence. That is why I brought in Ms (*indistinct*).

Adv T Madonsela : Alright. Right, it is said that the President's response to your allegation was the following:

"President Jacob Zuma has no recollection of this matter. He is therefore unable to comment on any alleged incidents in her career that she has reportedly written about on social media."

Now it would appear that the President has no recollection of ever meeting with you. What is your reaction to that statement?

Ms V Mentor : That is a serious joke. In fact I still defend the President, I still say he cannot have said that. I don't ... it is not possible. I think probably somebody that was overzealous could have issued that statement on behalf the President, because I know the President from the first consultative conference of the ANC in the country, in KZN and I know him from the Northern Cape when we did ANC work.

He also came to intervene when there was a (*indistinct*) between (*indistinct*) Picchu, who was the Premier and Mr Godfrey Oliphant, who is now the Deputy Minister for Mineral Resources. He came frequently to the Northern Cape and I was the leader of the ANC in the province that was dealing with that matter. We met in closed meetings and in open meetings of the ANC. We even

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1 campaigned together and on rallies, either victory rallies, which are
2 called "Siyanqoba rallies", I sat on the stage in the Northern Cape
3 because I was a PEC member. The PEC will sit on the stage with
4 national leadership (*indistinct*), but besides that I chaired the ANC
5 Caucus for slightly more than 4 and a half years. The Deputy
6 President leads Political Committee in Parliament. Political
7 Committee right under Deputy President is the Chief Whip and the
8 Chair of Causes leading that committee.

9 We sat for more than 4 years in that committee. We sat once a
10 month in the boardroom of the Chief Whip for 4 years and more.
11 Besides that, I used to have meetings which started as monthly
12 meetings with the Deputy President one-on-one. That is where the
13 encounter of sexual adventures(?) happened. Thereafter it was
14 every 2 months. Initially we used to meet in my own office as Chair
15 of Caucus. Then he suggested we change the venue to his office, you
16 know that is where he started mischief and I said I ...

17 Adv T Madonsela : What do you say is sexual adva ... what is that?

18 Ms V Mentor : Sexual adventures, I would say, because we ...

19 Adv N Kanyane : Advances?

20 Ms V Mentor : Advances. English (*indistinct*). PP, doesn't correct me.

21 Adv T Madonsela : No, I was wondering what ... I think the "advances" thing didn't
22 immediately come to my mind, sorry. I think I am ... you are
23 exhausted and I'm exhausted. Okay, perhaps we should leave that
24 thing.

25 Ms V Mentor : Yes.

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1 **Adv T Madonsela** : You said the Guptas came to South Africa in 1990 ...

2 **Ms V Mentor** : No, no, before that Madam, there is something (*indistinct*), just before
3 1994.

4 **Adv T Madonsela** : They came just before 1994?

5 **Ms V Mentor** : Yeah.

6 **Adv T Madonsela** : So they couldn't have been South Africans by April 27, 1994?

7 **Ms V Mentor** : Uh-uh (*negative*), but ...

8 **Adv T Madonsela** : But I want to check something Madam, is that if you are saying they
9 came shortly before 1994, when they get an IDC loan, is it not BEE
10 attached? The IDC, NEF, etcetera, are supposed to advance people
11 who were South Africans before 1990 ... April 27, 1994. How do they
12 get those loans?

13 **Ms V Mentor** : It is a big question mark. In fact my contention is that I don't know of
14 any company that had a free ride in terms of getting IDC loans like
15 the Guptas had successfully done.

16 **Adv N Kanyane** : So it wasn't one?

17 **Adv T Madonsela** : When did they get that loan?

18 **Ms V Mentor** : I think it is a few years ago. It is more than 3/4 years ago, but ...

19 [Discussions amongst each other]

20 **Ms V Mentor** : Sorry. Yeah, before I forget, months ago ... two things, months ago a
21 member of Parliament, who used to be a member and then did not
22 come that term, but came back, his name is Patrick Chauke. You may
23 call him as a witness. He came to me in the flight.

24 **Adv T Madonsela** : From Northwest?

25 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes. He used to be an organiser for the ANC in Luthuli House and

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1 then he came to me in an SAA flight months ago, just after the break
2 of the Gupta (*indistinct*) and then he says to me ... he was ... he passed
3 me and greeted me when I was sitting in Business Class, went to call
4 me later. He came back and said, "*(Indistinct)* thank you very much
5 for going out in the public on the matter". He says, "You know what, I
6 was doing door-to-door" ... I suspect it was for the 1995 Local
7 Government Elections or the 1994, but he says it is around that. The
8 Local Government Election was 1995, neh or was it 1996?

9 But he says, "Around ... just around the elections, the first
10 elections we were doing door-to-door in Bedfordview", he says
11 himself and I think he said Mandla Nkomfe, "encouraging people to
12 go and vote, and to go and vote for the ANC". Then he met the Gupta
13 brothers, he says there were two of them and he says they were
14 staying in a garage in Bedfordview. They had rented a garage and he
15 says they looked very poor, their garage was very ... and then they
16 said to him, "You say you are from Luthuli House? Yes. From the
17 ANC? Yes.

18 If you can facilitate for us to meet the President of the ANC -
19 that time it was Mandela - "the Deputy President of the ANC", that
20 was Thabo Mbeki and then they said, "Essop Pahad". He said if
21 Patrick Chauke and he person was with could arrange that, they
22 would donate R50 000.00 to the ANC. So Chauke says, "I actually
23 doubted if they had R50 000.00, the way they looked, but eventually
24 we went to Luthuli House and we told the leadership, and Thabo, the
25 President said ... the Deputy President said nonsense", but then he

1 said ...

2 **Adv T Madonsela** : So they wanted to see President Madiba, Mr Mbeki, Mr Pahad?

3 **Ms V Mentor** : And Essop, yes. So apparently they didn't ... I mean it was a mission
4 to speak to Madiba, so they didn't go to Madiba, but they went to the
5 Deputy President, who was Thabo, said, "There is these Indian guys
6 (indistinct) in a garage, they want to meet them". So he dismissed
7 them. So he says, Mbeki said, "If you want to speak to Pahad, you
8 may do so", which they did and then he says they did speak to Pahad
9 and those people are apparently ... he says he knows that they did
10 donate R50 000.00 to the ANC at that stage.

11 Now Essop Pahad was the ... later on became ... when Thabo
12 was President he became Minister in the Presidency and he is the
13 one that appointed a Gupta - I don't know which one - to the Board
14 of what used to be called "Proudly South African". It has got a
15 different name now. So that was the first board appointment of the
16 Guptas, facilitated by Essop Pahad. So the tentacles I suppose grew
17 from there, but anyway Madam, have I answered all the questions?

18 **Adv T Madonsela** : You have, Madam. I think you should have a meal now and once you
19 have had something or if somebody could ...

20 **Ms V Mentor** : Actually I think I will take my meal away in a packet.

21 **Adv T Madonsela** : Alright.

22 **Ms V Mentor** : I prefer to quickly just do an illustration to show you what to expect.

23 **Adv T Madonsela** : Olay, let's do so. I think let's proceed with ... I'm just going to have
24 tea.

25 **Ms V Mentor** : But Madam, if you want to ... yeah, you can have ...

[Discussion amongst each other // Go off record // Back on record]

Adv T Madonsela : ... of this was (*indistinct*)?

Ms V Mentor : You know that is why I didn't go to the ANC, because they said, "You must go to the SG's office" and Jessie is in that office, but apparently Mantashe's wife whom I did not pick up in this (*indistinct*), but it is reported elsewhere, is imbedded somewhere in this, but I don't have proof of that. I just saw that on social media and Jessie does not deny ... when this one got married Jessie's son was his best man and Jessie attended the wedding too.

So Jessie's son is best man and business partner to *this* one, *this* one is a friend ... is a son to *this* one and *this* one, Jessie's husband - I will write is as "JH" or "J Hane(?)" - is having energy company that is having a contract with Eskom, amongst other things.

Adv T Madonsela : Now guys, if any of this is ... because we are just taking it. We never know what is true and what is not.

Ms V Mentor : I know, I know.

Adv T Madonsela : But if any of this is true, then there would be so many parties that have an interest in this investigating not moving forward.

Ms V Mentor : I have got a link on WhatsApp that shows *this*, that I can forward to somebody with WhatsApp.

Adv N Kanyane : Yes, you have got my number.

Adv T Madonsela : Okay, forward it to her. She is our link, she is the coordinator of the investigation.

Ms V Mentor : Okay. I rearranged it differently. In that link it is a complicated word, so I deciphered it to arrange it for me better, it was better ... it

1 is not done. This is just the tip. I have shown you only 30% of the
2 linkages.

3 Adv T Madonsela : Right.

4 Ms V Mentor : So there will be a Transnet ... you are going to see a Transnet
5 contract, not tendered for, close to half a million.

6 Adv T Madonsela : Is Michael Hulley involved in any of this?

7 Ms V Mentor : Not that I had seen.

8 Adv T Madonsela : Not?

9 Ms V Mentor : I think ... I don't know. I don't want to lie, I don't remember.

10 Adv T Madonsela : Okay.

11 Ms V Mentor : He is the Risk Advisor. He is linked to another report I forwarded to
12 your box, which everything that I forwarded to the box I would
13 forward to her also.

14 Mr B Dhlamini : Is that Michael (*indistinct*)?

15 Ms V Mentor : He is the Legal Advisor or Legal Representative, yeah.

16 Adv T Madonsela : Another difficulty we have, of course we have ... this information will
17 be helpful to just show that some people have seemingly
18 (*indistinct*) ...

19 Adv N Kanyane : Relationships ...

20 Adv T Madonsela : ... or seemingly have power over the State. However, a lot of it ... we
21 still have difficulty in placing the President in (*indistinct*). We have
22 him in China, but again it is hearsay, the fellow said he had been sent
23 by the President. We have him in ...

24 Ms V Mentor : In the house.

25 Adv T Madonsela : ... in the house. Okay, that is a better one, if it can be proven. I mean

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1 it is the same thing as the other Gupta investigation, that guys we
2 really need the report for, because the issue there again was his
3 name was mentioned, but since we also didn't do cell phone records
4 on that one, it was not easy to place him, because we didn't even do
5 the cell phone records of the Guptas, just to (*indistinct*) they were
6 talking to that fellow.

7 **Ms V Mentor** : But is it not possible ... well, I don't know, the President will be
8 driven by the entourage. It is not possible to access where he drove
9 to on that day?

10 **Adv T Madonsela** : Yes.

11 **Adv N Kanyane** : That is what the other guy said.

12 **Ms V Mentor** : But I think it is ...

13 **Adv T Madonsela** : Yeah, we have a member in the team who can look at that. I think we
14 also need then cell numbers of PAs and drivers.

15 **Adv N Kanyane** : That is what we (*indistinct*) in the plan.

16 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes.

17 **Adv T Madonsela** : Because yeah, if you can place the two of you in that house with
18 concrete evidence it will help, because much as we have no reason to
19 doubt you, we will also have no reason to doubt him if he gives us his
20 side of the story and he says, "I never was there". We then start from
21 the beginning.

22 **Ms V Mentor** : Yeah. I will give you the number, because when I was Chair of Public
23 Enterprises there was a number that was subsidised by Parliament
24 that I used, that you have to have, which was an "082"-number. It
25 was not this "072", because it is with that number ...

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1 **Adv N Kanyane** : Oh, so we shouldn't use this number to trace?

2 **Ms V Mentor** : No, no, no. This I got I think when I was in hospital, when it was clear
3 that I was not going back to Parliament or just before, but ...

4 [Discussions amongst each other]

5 **Adv N Kanyane** : Can you give me the number?

6 **Ms V Mentor** : No, Madam, I don't ... I will go and check it.

7 **Adv N Kanyane** : Okay.

8 **Ms V Mentor** : I mean I have a ... I'm able to check it, because it was an official
9 number. I don't use it now, but I will give you the number. I don't
10 remember it very well because it was my number, but my kids will
11 remember it and it will be in their cell phones, yeah.

12 **Adv N Kanyane** : Okay.

13 **Adv T Madonsela** : Right, I think for now all our questions are answered. If you can give
14 us those links. What can help is contact details of witnesses, like you
15 have the friend in KZN, if you can just write it down or in fact
16 announce it on record. We have this machine and we will
17 (indistinct), you can see, or any other person who ... you have Mr
18 Chauke?

19 **Ms V Mentor** : Chauke.

20 **Adv T Madonsela** : Who knows ... who met them, Patrick Chauke, if you have his contact
21 details?

22 **Ms V Mentor** : Yes, it is there in my cell.

23 **Adv T Madonsela** : Because I think it would also help ... I think it was part of the
24 narrative at the briefing, but you want to know what were the
25 fortunes of Oakbay when this administration started in 2009?

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- 1 Ms V Mentor : Started.
- 2 Adv N Kanyane : Yes and we can do a comparison.
- 3 Adv T Madonsela : In 2009 and two, what were their fortunes in terms of net capital,
4 that areas of operation, because the narrative at the moment is that
5 they were at Sahara. So we would want to be interested then in how
6 did they cross the hurdle of functionality and these are the areas?
- 7 Adv N Kanyane : And she also alleges (*indistinct*).
- 8 Adv T Madonsela : Even for a loan you need to be functional before you know that
9 (*indistinct*).
- 10 Ms V Mentor : In fact that company was ... what do they call it? The bought it off
11 shelf, it was ...
- 12 Adv T Madonsela : Then you can draw inferences.
- 13 Adv N Kanyane : Like a shelf company, a shelf company, a new company that is ...
- 14 Ms V Mentor : Yeah. When they were given the loan, which is surprising, they had
15 no money in that ...
- 16 Adv T Madonsela : In that bank account?
- 17 Ms V Mentor : Yeah, in the ...
- 18 Adv T Madonsela : Okay, we will request their bank statements.
- 19 Ms V Mentor : But public documents of annual reports and stuff, that would help
20 you.
- 21 Adv T Madonsela : Just to show that?
- 22 Ms V Mentor : Yeah, who and what by when?
- 23 Adv T Madonsela : Yeah. That would be extremely helpful. I'm actually just thinking
24 that we should have brought the other members of the team, because
25 a process of beginning to just write up what we heard today and then

1 use that as your base in terms of checking things, whether they are
2 adding up, is something that needs to happen urgently. Do you need
3 something, Sir?

4 **Mr B Dhlamini** : Yes, just one minute.

5 **Ms V Mentor** : The one other ... amongst Ministers there, the prominent ones second
6 to *(indistinct)* is Zwane, Mineral Resources.

7 **Adv T Madonsela** : Okay. What are his interests? Does he have also business interest
8 other than just being involved?

9 **Ms V Mentor** : Zwane was in the Free State, he was ... there is a notorious dairy farm
10 like ...

11 **Adv T Madonsela** : What do you know about that dairy ... that is the dairy that I sent
12 back, because *(indistinct)*?

13 **Ms V Mentor** : That dairy is a dairy and it is not a dairy. It is a ...

14 **Adv T Madonsela** : Yeah, because we want to know who owns that dairy, because it was
15 just said okay, *(indistinct)* the dairy. We have investigated, but what
16 I'm *(indistinct)* at the moment is ownership.

17 **Ms V Mentor** : Zwane started the dairy.

18 **Adv T Madonsela** : And the involvement of Zwane, what was his personal involvement?

19 **Ms V Mentor** : It is outside that ... Zwane lives in Vrede.

20 **Adv T Madonsela** : Okay.

21 **Ms V Mentor** : Vrede is where the dairy is.

22 **Adv T Madonsela** : No, look my team didn't even pick that up.

23 **Adv L Tshilwalule** : Yeah, it was not picked up.

24 **Ms V Mentor** : He is from Vrede and he was ...

25 **Adv T Madonsela** : *(Indistinct)* I'm going to share with you tomorrow about the

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investigation.

Ms V Mentor : He was MEC for Agriculture at that time, although later he became MEC for Economic Affairs and when he put up that dairy, and that dairy is actually a money laundering scheme.

Mr B Dhlamini : Scheme, okay.

Ms V Mentor : It is a dairy, it is not a dairy, it is a ... but the interesting thing about Zwane, Zwane ...

Mr B Dhlamini : Umsebenzi?

Ms V Mentor : Yes, whilst he was still in the Free State (*indistinct*) Economic Affairs, the Guptas are having ownership in that dairy. It is Zwane, it is Makashule, whatever, whatever.

Mr B Dhlamini : Yeah.

Adv L Tshiwalule : It makes sense now.

Adv T Madonsela : We want to know who are the owners, but that is the thing, that is why he wouldn't (*indistinct*).

Adv L Tshiwalule : I remember the time.

Ms V Mentor : And then ...

Adv T Madonsela : But I hope you guys, as I'm leaving, you will understand why you have got to go beyond the surface.

Ms V Mentor : And also you know Madam, that is my worry too. You know I don't want to waste time and energy. When the new Public Protector is appointed I would think ... because we don't know who would be ... what animal(?) would be appointed. Madam, you are subcontracting to law firms, whoever, whoever. I think the only way to give credence and legitimacy to conclude this investigation properly

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1 would be the outgoing Public Protector – and I don't expect her to
2 comment – not only to hand over and report, but to be subcontracted
3 to ... for money or not money, to continue the ... to conclude the
4 investigation, because we know with all investigations that ... like a
5 painting, if an artist die in the middle of painting a painting, it is
6 difficult to complete.

7 **Adv T Madonsela** : No, no, no, these ones in Pretoria ... I think when I was just talking
8 about problems, it is our provinces and it is a historical problem,
9 because all of these special investigations were done in Pretoria and
10 then over the years we have expanded it to the provinces, but we
11 were taking people who were used to doing mundane investigations
12 (*indistinct*), but these ones are not (*indistinct*), with or without me
13 they will not let go.

14 **Ms V Mentor** : Well, the thing is would the boss, the new boss not (*indistinct*) their
15 efforts?

16 **Adv T Madonsela** : Hey, but he will struggle with the team though, because this is the
17 team that even I can't just decide (*indistinct*) where I want to go. He
18 will have ... whoever it is he will have to struggle with the team.

19 **Ms V Mentor** : I hope it is ... my bet it is (*indistinct*) Zwane.

20 **Mr B Dhlamini** : So you are still on that (*indistinct*) he has said yes?

21 **Ms V Mentor** : Zwane, yes.

22 **Adv T Madonsela** : But we are trying to conclude this investigation before I go. Not we
23 are trying. We aim to conclude this investigation.

24 **Ms V Mentor** : 1.5 million might be too little. This is huge, but Zwane is the one that
25 signed the letterhead(?), on Government letter and the letter that

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facilitated the landing at Waterkloof as MEC for Economic Affairs in the Free State. So he had those links before he came here.

Adv T Madonsela : So at ... oh, no, okay Zwane we have him there already on the landing.

Ms V Mentor : But I mean he travelled with the Guptas to Switzerland when they were buying a company, he facilitated that and the questions around that ... it is a trade-off with the Russians for the (indistinct) nuclear built, because that company is owned by Rotatom ... Rosatom. It is a SOE, Russian SOE for nuclear energy. They own that company in South Africa.

They claimed it was not profitable and yet it was profitable. They sold it to the Guptas at an under market value and shortly thereafter Zwane travelled with the Guptas to Switzerland to do all sorts of things. Later on December last year he met them again in Dubai. So he is also a very interesting fellow. He is also linked to young Mr Zuma. You see the President is very smart.

Mr B Dhlamini : Yes.

Ms V Mentor : Most of the time you will stop right here and that is why it is very crucial ... I will also think of ways. It is very crucial to find proof that he was in that house with me that day.

Adv T Madonsela : Yes.

Ms V Mentor : I think that would be ...

Adv T Madonsela : Well, otherwise we cannot really ... without evidence we will battle to make people accountable. We can say there are suspicions, but as you have seen our reports, we will have to say you said this. We are also going to say the other people corroborated, but it would help

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1 also to have a little bit more than ... several witnesses verify,
2 especially in such a highly contested case.

3 **Ms V Mentor** : Do you have links with seasoned private investigators that are
4 technological?

5 **Adv T Madonsela** : Yes and in the team there is a ... this is ... the only member of the
6 investigation team, main member is her. The rest are private. We
7 are generalists, we are in every case, but on this investigation she is
8 leading from our side and then the investigation team, the
9 specialised investigation team is from our side.

10 **Ms V Mentor** : Okay, it is great, but anyway I will forward you the links. Madam, I so
11 wish for the sake of South Africa that you get to the bottom of this.
12 Another thing, have you seen the house that ... there are two things I
13 must say in conclusion. There is Air Dubai giant aircraft that parked
14 at the Limpopo airport for weeks on end, just before the Gupta's
15 (*indistinct*) fled the country. We know they didn't come back and
16 during that time Julius Malema was saying they must go, they know
17 they must go and all those things.

18 Then there are reports that things were being loaded into that
19 aircraft. The question is, why are the Authorities that are guarding
20 our skies and our entry points ... it is very unusual for a foreign giant
21 aircraft to park at an airport like Limpopo. If it had mechanical
22 problems it had to park at ORT, at the hangers where repairs or
23 malfunctioning aircrafts are parked, but people were saying there
24 are movements into that aircraft nightly, suggesting that things were
25 being loaded in there. There are reports of gold, including the issue

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- 1 of money that was picked up, the aircraft that was loaded with
2 printed money in KZN with a dead body. Apparently it was heading
3 for KZN for laundering purposes, but have you seen the Villa of the
4 Guptas in Dubai?
- 5 **Adv T Madonsela :** No.
- 6 **Ms V Mentor :** It is 465 million.
- 7 **Adv T Madonsela :** How did the money get there?
- 8 **Ms V Mentor :** That is the thing and they say when it was listed in 2015 last year, it
9 was the most expensive property in Dubai.
- 10 **Adv T Madonsela :** 150 million?
- 11 **Mr B Dhlamini :** 400.
- 12 **Ms V Mentor :** 400 ... 465.
- 13 **Adv T Madonsela :** And 65 million?
- 14 **Ms V Mentor :** Yes and it is on ...
- 15 **Mr B Dhlamini :** And that is (*indistinct*)?
- 16 **Ms V Mentor :** That is right.
- 17 **Adv T Madonsela :** Well, guys who came about how many years ago to South Africa,
18 about 20 years ago?
- 19 **Ms V Mentor :** 20 years ago.
- 20 **Adv T Madonsela :** With nothing.
- 21 **Mr B Dhlamini :** Who lived in a garage.
- 22 **Ms V Mentor :** Uhm in a garage and it has ...
- 23 **Adv T Madonsela :** If it is true. Alright, then I think let's ... I think they would like us to
24 end it. So they have a villa in Dubai. Where can we get that
25 information?

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1 **Ms V Mentor** : It is on this link that I will send. The villa has 10 bedrooms, 9
2 reception rooms, huge, 13 bathrooms, 10 carports, parking ports and
3 the house square meter alone, the house, not the yard, it is more than
4 40 ... but it is on that link, so I will send it.

5 **Adv T Madonsela** : Okay.

6 **Ms V Mentor** : But we must all strive to get to the bottom of this, because it is our
7 country that is being ...

8 **Adv T Madonsela** : Alright, can you make sure that you have copies of *this* and these ...
9 **Ms V Mentor** : Thank you, Madam.

10 **Adv T Madonsela** : We are the ones who are grateful. Did we get a copy of that
11 residential ...

12 **Ms V Mentor** : This I'm leaving here.

13 **Adv T Madonsela** : Did you guys get it?

14 **Adv N Kanyane** : Yes, she made a copy for us.

15 **Adv T Madonsela** : Alright.

16 **Ms V Mentor** : I'm leaving it for you.

17 **Adv T Madonsela** : We appreciate, but it is not the last time we meet you. It is our take-
18 off interview and should we then have additional evidence where we
19 need clarity, we would like you to keep your door open for us.

20 **Ms V Mentor** : Thank you, Madam. I will do so.

21 **Adv T Madonsela** : Alright.

22 **Ms V Mentor** : Thanks very much.

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I Mabel Petronella Mentor declare under oath in English

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I Mabel Petronella Mentor declare under oath in English.

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I'm an adult female ID [REDACTED], resides at [REDACTED] with contact numbers [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

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I am sober and with my full conscious. My home language is Setswana but speaks English, Afrikaans and Zulu fluently. I also do speak a bit Xhosa. I am comfortable making this statement in English.

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Since 1998; 1999, 2000; 2001 until August 2002. I was an official in the Department of Education, and Councillor in the Northern Cape. I am an ANC member.

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After August 2002 I became a member of the Parliament. When I arrived at Parliament I functioned under Public Services and Administration and also serve under the Portfolio for Education. During this period I received three (3) times promotion.

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From 2004 until 2009 I became the ANC: (1) ^{SP} Coccus Parliamentary Chair Person (2) ^{Member} Chairperson: Joint Standing Committee on Intelligence for Parliament (3) ^{Member} Chairperson: Rules Committee of Parliament; (4) Chairperson of Public Enterprises. *R*

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Due to my positions I was entrusted with, I was exposed ^{to got} and experienced sensitive matters. *R*

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The DENEL-Company (resorted) under me; in fact all state owned companies (resorted) under me. Meaning I was overseeing together with the Committee resorting under me.

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Denel is a state-owned Arms Manufacturing Company which was at a stage one of the most stable companies, meaning highly profitable and best run.

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The Gupta brothers are ^{currently} co-owners/partners of Denel. This I can state factually because of the following reasons: The Gupta Brothers approached the Industrial Development Cooperation (IDC) and borrow and or make a loan to establish a company that will partner with DENEL. The amount borrowed was 2000 Million Rand. *R 283 m*

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This money was paid out to them. The Guptas was supposed to service the loan amount immediately. For +- 18 months they didn't do it. R300 million became R350 million that the Guptas Brothers owed the IDC. They used the money to buy OAKBAY investments which gave birth to SHIVI URANIUM and VR-LAZOR.

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SHIVI URANIUM specializes in uranium, but also supplies ESCOM with ^{another Gupta Company} ~~Gates~~ VR-LAZER specialises in ^{COALS} cutting steel. Mentor

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The Gupta Brothers then, because of the debt of R350 million, arrange a meeting with the IDC and made a deal with the IDC. The deal was then that the IDC will become shareholders of VR-LAZOR for a percentage of 3, 4 shares. *(This now turns out to be a mere 2+%)*

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The IDC then cancelled the debt, because VR-LAZER will cut steel for the project of manufacturing army vehicles in South Africa. There-after the Defence Force and or Army paid an amount of ten(10) billion rand upfront to VR-LAZER for the building of cutting steel for army vehicles still to be produced.

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still
In this time frame a Mr Iqbal Surty was the Chief Director within the Department of Trade and Industry. He was the central player and was close with Minister Rob Davis, the Minister of Trade and Industry. Mr Iqbal Surty was also closely related to the Gupta Brothers. Delete

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VR-LAZER together with DENEL went to Asia, Hong Kong where they did contracts of which I have no knowledge. *They opened an office in Asia, largely funded by DENEL*

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Mentor
Denel has capability to manufacture any sorts of arms and ammunition including vehicle aircrafts, etc, that has to do with defence. *The Gupta Company has no such capability* Mentor

18 (a)

SHIVI-URANIUM was strategically placed to supply uranium to the Government for the Nu-clear energy Plant that will still be build.

18 (b)

Mentor
In their House at Saxonworld in 2010, ~~A~~ Gupta Brother asked me about Uranium deposits in the Northern Cape where I came from. They/He said they were interested in ~~mining~~ ^{mining} uranium.

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After becoming aware of all this this information, I came to the conclusion that there are discrepancies and irregularities which I didn't agreed with. They also established arms manufacturing plant in Sohidea Arabia.

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I believe that corruption plays a definite part/role between the Gupta - brothers and government (identified government ministers and employees mentioned in this statement).

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During this period I became aware that the PEBBEL BED MODULAR REACTOR: A mini test Nu-Clear Station located in ~~the~~ ^{Phelindaba} Pretoria, must be closed down. This I was very unhappy with, for we were going to lose the Intellectual Property + Human Resource we built there.

I then arranged a meeting with the Minister of Energy and share with her my concerns when the Mini Testing Nu-clear Station will be closed. I raised my concerns with the IP (Intellectual Property) and Human Resources we would lose should we mothball/close down PBMR.

At that stage the Government already spend R8 billion Rand; Development Human Resources, it was a product already producing, Intellectuals Property Right (Westing House, an American Company who was in partnership with the government) was also eyeing the IP (Intellectual Property Rights). We were losing Human Capital.

The Minister didn't commit herself but advise me to meet with the president (Jacob Zuma) and discussed it with him. I decided to follow her advice.

25 (a)

I struggle for two (2) months to arrange a meeting with the President. I went to the Tuin Huis with a letter requesting a meeting. I followed protocol in arranging the meeting. I also phoned Ms Lukhele Kaunda at Luthuli House. eventually (25b)

I also phoned Luthuli House repeatedly to get an Appointment with the President.

After spoken to Mr L Kaunda, she made contact with me on a Sunday evening after ten on my official phone. She just informed me that the person will, phone me with regards to my meeting with the President together with the arrangements. That was to be for the next day, which was a Monday.

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Shortly after her call, a person phoned me. The person who contact me was a male. He told me that I must take the plane the following Monday at 06:00 at Cape Town International.

I was worried, because I was on crutches and asked the man how will I travel. He assured me that my flight was already booked and transport is sorted out. ie. From the Airport to the President. He said 2 men will meet me and identify themselves at the Airport. *President*

The Monday I took the flight as discussed. When I arrived at Johannesburg International (OR Tambo), two males dressed in black was waiting for me. They wear dark glasses with ear-pieces and was driving a black double cab bakkie / vehicle. I thought they were Presidential *President*
Security or Drivers. *for*

I got into the vehicle and was expecting to be driven to the Union Building in Pretoria where I was to meet with the President. In fact they drove to SAHARA. They stopped there and I assumed that they were collecting something. Instead they asked me to go with them to say "hello" to someone. So I go with them. Inside I wait in a small waiting area at the end of a long corridor and was told that the person is busy on the phone. *for*

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Finally I went to meet this person and he was introduced to me as the oldest brother. By now I know all three of them are Indians. I observed the following from the oldest brother: He is ~~obese~~ / fat shorter than the other two, but was wearing a big brilliant gold ring with a red ruby in the index finger. *of the Amptu*

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He talked to me about my family, asked me about my children. I told him that my son is playing cricket for Western Province. He then offered to buy a cricket bat but I told him that at that stage I already bought my son a new cricket bat made of English Wood. He then suggested that I could ask them for a bat next time. He also said they owned a Suite at the New *was*
Land Cricket Stadium. He said I could *for*

This oldest brother then continues by offering me access to a suite at Newlands Cricket grounds when-ever there was a cricket game and I can take my son with. This man then told me that I am a famous person and it was a privilege for him to meet me. He knew what my position was and also knew that I had an appointment with the President. He knew I was a Chair of the *for*
Portfolio of Public Enterprises. He said I was good at my work. *for*

He then hinted that the President was not available yet because he at that stage attend to a meeting at Luthuli House. I became agitated and impatient, because it was very strange to me that this man knows about my visit and seems to know the whereabouts of the President. I was now getting *for*
unsettled and uncomfortable *for*

I have never met any of them previously, that day was my first time. We spend +45 minutes at SAHARA. From there, we drove and I thought we are going straight to the Union Building for my meeting with the President. *for*

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Instead of going there, they drove to big Cluster Mansion with +-5 big houses. It was a private complex. I will be able to identify the house because it wasn't finished at that stage. ^{Especially inside} There was a big pillar not finished yet and other small structures not yet finished. I remember the cream marble steps. They took me to a foyer that was very big with two coaches where I had to wait. They told me that the older brother will come to meet me again.

That the house was a beige-cream outside at that time

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Also, showed me where the bathroom was and asked if I wanted something to eat and drink. I was served with Chai tea with naan bread and curry. By then I was upset and not feeling well, there-for I didn't enjoy the food. *The young Indian Chef who was wearing a white vest served me. He did not speak English*

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Later the older brother arrived and ^{sat} on the other coach. We talked just there. He mentioned the following: "as the Chair Person of the Public Enterprises if I am aware that Denel are for the past 4 years having legal problems in India" I pretend not being aware, because I wanted to know more about this man (oldest brother) he then said that he can help. They are the Gupta brothers (family). He also touched on my agenda with the President. I was very surprised and angry. He claimed that they are very closed to the Indian government as the Gupta brothers.

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He continues and spoke about the SAA Airline Route between South Africa and India. He wants me to commit myself by making a deal that I will influence SAA to stop flying the South African Route between SA and India. He go on and said: 'you could be a Minister of Public Enterprises in a weeks' time when the President will reshuffles cabinet and removes the current (the then Minister) of public Enterprises (Barbara Hogan). *He also spoke about the PEBBLE-BED -*

MODULAR REACTOR!! The very matter I wanted to see the President for. He said 240 must be closed. But at the same time he said he was looking into mining Uranium.
I asked him how he will do it. He responded that he will put in a word with the President to appoint me. I was doubtful and he could see it. So he said that they have done it previously I must just play along, meaning I must agree to influence SAA to stop the route.

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I got very angry and raise my voice. I request, in a loud voice to be taken back to the airport. I never at any stage commit and/or agree to any of his proposals. At that moment the President entered the foyer from the back of me. I stood up and was angry. *I stood up in respect of the President, but this man remained seated!*

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while still standing

I explained to the President what transpired between me and this man; about him telling me that he would put in a word with the President for me to become the Minister. Also that he was aware and informed about the meeting with the President. The President rather choose to calm me by telling

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me to calm down and not to worry. The President never reprimanded the man, nor did he ^{assure me or} come up for me. ^R in my defence.

43 (A)

He didn't even look surprised. I was the person made to be the mad one. The President didn't even have a meeting with me. He walked me out of the house to the vehicle and saw I walked with ^{that I was on crutches} crutches. So he told me that if he was aware he would have made other arrangements. ^R

^{43(b)} This man interrupted me and the President by offering him food. The president declined and said he would go and eat next door. ^R
As we walked out, the President took my handbag. While this older brother continue sitting. I asked the President why he meet me with these people and in that house. He said that his son is staying next door. He also said that he was sorry. ^R

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I remember that while I was waiting at that house I phoned a friend of mine to arrange a place to sleep because it was becoming late and do not know when I will meet the President.

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None of them informed me how my flight arrangements ^{were for} are back to Cape Town. The same two ^R brothers took me to the airport. On the way to the airport I phoned my friend again that I am on my way to the airport but if I do not get a flight that I will phone her again.

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At the airport I manage to book a flight back through my office. I went home not satisfied having a meeting with the President and with the following questions in mind: why didn't the President ^{find} find it not strange to meet me at that house? How did the President ^{know} know I was there? Why ^{he not} he was not surprised when I told him what the older brother said about putting in a word with the President to appoint me as Minister? ^R

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The same Monday I flew back to Cape Town. The Tuesday I phoned the CEO of SAA and arrange an appointment with her. That same week she came to my office and I asked her how long it ^{would} take to cultivate an international Airline Route. She said that the first 4 x years capital are invested (putting in money) from the fifth year up till the ninth/ten year you break even, and only making profit there-after. Then I told her that some-one approached me to influence SAA to close the route between India and SA. ^R

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She said it was SA main and most profitable route and that it would not make sense economic sense, to close that route. Then it made sense to me. ^R

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announced a cabinet

Later the same week the President made the re-shuffling by replacing Ms Barbara Hogan with Mr Malusi Gigaba as the Minister of Public Enterprises. This is what the Senior Gupta

for Brooke had told me would happen. Mr. Gigaba was probably appointed because I refused the offer. I don't know if he was given the same offer. I also remember that just after I made it public that the Guptas had offered me a Ministerial post if I

gave them the SAA/Indian Route, Ms Barbara Hogan confirmed in a radio show that she too was put under a lot of pressure. When she was still Minister of Public Enterprises to meet with the Guptas to discuss airline matters with them. Me and her never met eye to eye, we were not in close relationship. Our relationship as Minister and Chair of Prasa

was mostly Adversarial. She was uncomfortable with how I held her as a member of Cabinet Accountable

Ministers do not like to be held accountable by Parliament; but still she separately confirmed the Indian Route Airline story, but she was pressurised for the same matter. The Airline of SAA

stopped flying the Indian route when Mr. Gigaba was Minister. The Gupta Airline started running that same route.

Later Mr Gigaba was replaced by Ms Lin Brown Mr Gigaba was appointed as Minister of Home affairs. The newly appointed Minister of Public Enterprises dealt with DENEL. She suspended the CEO and two other senior people at Denel. Just after their suspension the Denel Deal with the Guptas Company went through. No reason was given to the public for their suspension.

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I recall also that I called the then CEO and the Chairperson of Pebble Bed Modular Reactor (Nu-Clear plant) to my office in Cape Town. I asked them further questions, arounds the Nu-Clear Plant. They gave me the impression that it was a waist of time and money to close down P.B.M.R. I called the

then CEO and Chair of PBM to my house twice also. They were as frustrated as I was on the matter.

It is under Minister Lin Brown that the corrupt partnerships between Denel, VR-LAZER, and OAKBAY as well as Shiva-Uranium were completed. Under her Denel Asia was formed with VR-LAZER, but Denel carries the capital and financial burden for that venture, but the main profit maker at that company is the Gupta Family Company. The Deals of DENEL, Eskom

IDC all started in 2010. They continue to date.

Like-wise an arms manufacturing factory was opened in Saudi Arabia again for the profit, namely of the Gupta company and the President's son, Duduzane. Interestingly, Minister

Gigaba whose line-function is Home Affairs and has nothing to do with Arms Procurement. was in SAUDI ARABIA too.

In all the Gupta Companies mentioned in the statement, the President son (Duduzane Zuma) is a shareholder.. He features in all companies of the Guptas

and their dealings with Eskom, DENEL, PRASA, SAA and other State-Owned-Companies.

Interestingly, Minister M Gigaba was present in Sotho Arabia when the arm manufacturing factory was opened by Denel and the President meanwhile his line-function of Home Affairs has nothing to do with the arms manufacturing.

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The Minister of Mineral Resources and Mining was also a constant factor and denominator in negotiating the IDC-Loan, the Denel-Asia Venture as well as the Sotho Arabia arms manufacturing factory was opened. He is reported and confirmed that he flew to Dubai in December where he met with the Gupta brothers. The President was also in Dubai at the time of the meeting of Minister of Resource and Mining and Minister (Minerals) with the Guptas.

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According to the media reports the Gupta family moved to Dubai.

(They are now back) in SA

61(a)

CEO's of Eskom; DENEL

I am off the conclusion that the Gupta family, the son of the President and ~~some ministers whom I have named in this statement as well as the President to a certain extent~~ All have a corrupt relationship that gives unfair advantage to the Gupta family and their associates at the expense of the State using state resources and agencies all the way for their own benefit.

and Defence Force

61(b) Mr Brian Molefe, CEO of Eskom funded the Gupta family R283 - for supplying Eskom with inferior quality coal.

From the onset the year of the first Local Government Election after 1994 Mr Chauke, current ANC MP; reported to me that he met the Gupta brothers in a garage which they rented in Bedford view Johannesburg: As they were doing door to door campaign for the ANC.

62(a) Mr Brian Molefe Funded the Gupta companies and their Breakfast show while 62(b) he was still at TRANSNET.

The Gupta -brothers requested to be introduced to the leadership of the ANC and of Government in Luthuli House. They specifically wanted to meet President Mandela, Deputy President Thabo Mbeki and Minister Issop Pahad for this introduction they were willing to donate R50 000.00 for the ANC for election purposes.

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Eventually they manage to meet with Minister Issop Pahad in Luthuli House and they did donate R50 000.00. and they were introduced to Issop Pahad, who later

appointed one of them to a certain Board.

65(a)

To date Issop Pahad is still having relationship with them and he is responsible for the content of their journal called "THE THINKER". He was also responsible for putting a Gupta Brother in the board of Proudly South African Government Entity / Agency. That is all I want to state, but I do request criminal investigation in this matter.

65(b)

The Guptas boasted in the media at the time when Deputy President Zuma was fired that they were supporting him financially.

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I Mabel Petronella Mentor declare under oath in English

(b)(1) I am laying charge against the Gupta Family, their
6(b) companies, CEOs of DENEL,
IDC, Eskom, son of President,

I know and understand the content of this declaration. I have no objection to take the prescribed oath. I consider the prescribed oath as binding on my conscience. So help me God. Duduzany

2016-05-09

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Durbanville

Mentor

Defending
the State and
for Corruption.

SUPPLEMENTARY AFFIDAVIT

I, the undersigned

Mabel Petronella Mentor

Do here state under oath and say,

- I am an adult female with identity number [REDACTED], residing at No [REDACTED], [REDACTED]. I am the member of the African National Congress (ANC). I can be contacted on [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]. I am comfortable to make this statement in English.
- This is a supplementary affidavit obtained on Friday 2016/06/23 at Durbanville.
- The facts deposed herein are true and correct and save where the context indicates otherwise, fall within my personal knowledge.
- During 1997 to August 2002, I was in the Department of education and also serve as a District Councillor in the Northern Cape Province.

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See Substantive statement dated 2016/12/14



- Subsequent to August 2002, I became a member of Parliament and I was under Public Service and Administration and also serve under the Portfolio for Education.
- During August 2004 to 2009, I become the ANC Caucus Parliamentary Chair Person, A member of The Joint Standing Committee on Intelligence, Whip and Ordinary member of Rules Committee of Parliament and Chairperson of Public Enterprises.
- Due to my position in Parliament, I was entrusted and exposed to sensitive matters of Parliament. When I was the Chairperson of Public Enterprises, all the state owned companies resorted under me. Denel-Company was amongst those companies under my control.
- On or during October 2010, I received a call from a Lady who told me to await a call from another gentleman who would call me in a few minutes. An unknown man then called after a few minutes. He told me that I must take the plane to Johannesburg. I was worried as I was on crutches and asked that man how I will travel. He told me not to worry and that my flight was already booked and the transport was also



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sorted out.

- On the same month of October 2010 and it was on Monday when I flew to Johannesburg. When I arrived at Johannesburg (OR Tambo International Airport) two Indian looking males dressed in black were waiting for me.
- I got into the vehicle and I was expecting to be driven to the union Building in Pretoria where I would meet with the President as I understood. However the car drove to SAHARA Business Complex which was not in a Residential area The car stopped there and I assumed that they were collecting something. Instead they asked me to go with them to say hello to someone. That person turned out to be the eldest brother to those who had picked me up from the airport
- Later I was driven from SAHARA to Saxon-world in the house, as I was told the President was still held up in a meeting somewhere While I was in Saxon-wold Compound waiting in the house, the big brother, the very same one I at thwas introduced to at SAHARA arrived at the house where I was kept waiting There he started discussing about DENEL, SAA Airline route between South Africa and India, The Pebble Bed Modular Reactor. He proposed that I support GOVT intention to

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shut down The Pebble Modular Reactor, so that he with his brothers together with their company can show GOVT how to build a Nuclear Plant, to which they would supply Uranium, In relation to Eskom He said that I could help them aquire contracts to supply Eskom with coal He asked me to influence SAA to stop flying the route between South Africa and India. He went further to say that, the route was no longer economical viable.

- He told me that I could be the Minister of Public Enterprises in a week's time when the President reshuffles cabinet and remove the current Minister of Public Enterprises, should I agree to facilitate all his requests He will put the word with the President. However the President was not present when he saying that.
- I was shocked as to how do a person who hold no authority in Parliamen or in the Senior ranks of the Governing Party can offer me a position of being a Minister As. It is the President prerogative to appoint Ministers and no anyone else.
- All the discussions and the Offer to me of a position of being a Minister of took place at Saxon-wold Compound and the President was not present. However he arrived later in that same house on that same day ,

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- The President entered from the other side of the house, not where I had entered. When he walked in I stood up on my crutches to show him respect as protocol demands this. The President remained standing, shook my hand but this guy remained sitting and did not show respect to the President. Instead as we were still exchanging pleasantries and greetings with the President, he interjected and offered the President food in a very demeaning tone. This got me angry. The President rejected the food offer saying he would go and eat next door where his son lived.
- I then blurted out telling the President all that happened. That I was driven to SAHARA and then to Saxon=World to be offered a Portfolio of Minister of Public Enterprises if I agreed to facilitate all that, that man was asking for, The Ministerial Post I was going to occupy in a matter of a week's time if I committed to all his requests.
- The President was calm and tried to calm me down. He was fatherly and apologised for all that I was put through. He took my handbag and led me out through the entrance I had used to come in. I was on crutches, he carried my bag, led me down the stairs, and apologised again. He opened the double-cab door for me, and helped me into the cab. I was not even given my flight back details. I had to book myself a return ticket as we drove to the Airport.
- I know and understand the contents of this affidavit.

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- I have no objection to taking the prescribed oath.
- I consider the prescribed oath to be binding on my conscience.

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Signature deponent

I certify that the deponent has acknowledge that she knows and understand the content of this statement and the deponent signature was placed thereon in my present on Tuesday on 2016/06/28 at Durbanville at 11:15

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Rank: W/O

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SUPPLEMENTARY STATEMENT

I, the undersigned

Mabel Petronella Mentor

Do here state under oath and say,

1. Further to my previous statement made on 28/06/2016 I wish to make the following supplementary statement.
2. During 2010, the time I was a member of parliament, I was using two official cell phones, one for the Parliamentary Committee and one for ANC Caucus. Currently I can't recall which number she called me on as I had two official numbers at the time but that can provided at a later stage. I can still recall that it was Sunday night and I was about to sleep when I received a call from Miss Kawunda from the office of the State President who informed me about the availability of the State President as I had been looking for him. Miss Kawunda is a lady I refer to in my previous statement.
3. She further indicated that some gentlemen would shortly call me with regard to flight arrangements. Eventually a male person called and confirmed the flight arrangements. He informed me that was I booked on the SAA flight from Cape Town to Johannesburg for 06:00 in the morning of the following day. I then asked him how I would reach Pretoria from OR Tambo Airport, his

response was that everything had been arranged and that there would be somebody waiting for me bearing my name when I arrive at the airport. I do not remember the guy's name but it was male who had an accent that sounded Indian.

4. With regard to the issue of the itinerary, I never completed one as this was arranged outside my office. I respected a call from the office of the President I had no reason to doubt the call.
5. To clarify the identity of the two guys, I can't really describe them in full but they were both Indian looking, one was taller and thinner than the other and appeared to be junior than the other one. Even though I can't give the full description but I can identify them upon sight.
6. The big brother refer to in paragraph 10 of my previous statement was stout and appeared to be shorter than others. He was wearing a gold ring with a gem stone on the right index finger.
7. Unfortunately I never took any audio visual recording of the conversation as I never expected such unlawful proposals. I thought that I was only there waiting for the President.

Do you know and understand the content of this declaration? (Yes/~~No~~)

Do you have any objection in taking the prescribed oath? (~~Yes~~/No)

Do you consider the prescribed oath to be binding on your conscience?

(Yes/~~No~~)

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Do you swear that the content of this statement are true? (Yes/No)

So help me God

Place Durbanville

Date 14 Dec. 2016

Time 13:14


SIGNATURE

I certify that the above statement was taken down by me and that the deponent's has acknowledge that she knows and understands the content of this statement. This stamen was sworn to before me and deponent's signature was placed thereon in my presence at Durbanville, on 2016/12/14 at 13:15



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04 August 2010

Dear Minister

**STATE VISIT TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (PRC)
FROM 24-26 AUGUST 2010.**

Honourable Minister, you might be aware, that I am undertaking a State Visit to the People's Republic of China (PRC) from 24-26 August 2010.

Since the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries, relations have grown to a point that the two countries are now close strategic partners. The two sides have agreed to elevate the strategic partnership to a new "Comprehensive Strategic Partnership" which will guide our bilateral relations into the future. In this regard, China is now South Africa's biggest trading partner.

The first leg of my visit starts in Beijing, the capital of the PRC on 24 August 2010, where I will meet my counterpart, President Hu Jintao. On the 25 August 2010, I will meet with Premier Wen, Chairman of National People's Congress, Mr. Wu Bangguo and Vice President Xi Jinping to consolidate and strengthen political relations.

The second leg of my visit will end with Shanghai, the finance and commercial hub of China to interact with captains of industry, with the view to strengthen economic ties between South Africa and China. I will also be visiting the South Africa Pavilion at the Shanghai 2010 World Expo.

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I am advised that your Department intend to sign Terms of Reference during the visit. You will take responsibility for the business leg of the visit. Therefore, I wish to extend an invitation to you to join me on this auspicious occasion. Your presence, I believe, will work towards improving our relations with China.

I look forward to your reply as well as the programme for the business part of the visit that is arranged by your department.

Yours sincerely,



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**TO : THE DIRECTOR GENERAL
(VISIT TO CHINA FROM 16-29 AUGUST 2010 (INCLUDING
TRAVEL DAYS))**

**SUBJECT (S) : (1) MEETING WITH CHINA'S MINISTRY OF COMMERCE
(MOFCOM) OFFICIALS TO FINALIZE AND SIGN THE
TERMS OF REFERENCE ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
THE JOINT WORKING GROUP ON TRADE STATISTICS,
23 AUGUST 2010**

**(2) TO SUPPORT MINISTER DAVIES DURING STATE VISIT
TO CHINA BY PRESIDENT JACOB ZUMA, 24-26
AUGUST 2010**

1. PURPOSE

1.1 To request the Director General (DG) to grant approval for ITED officials to travel to Beijing, China to hold a meeting with MOFCOM officials to finalize and sign Terms of Reference on the Establishment of the Joint Working Group (JWG) on Trade Statistics, 23 August 2010.

1.2 To request the Director-General (DG) to approve that the dti delegation to accompany and support Minister Rob Davies during the occasion of the State Visit to China (16-29 August 2010 including travel days).

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 Joint Working Group Meeting on Trade Statistics

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trading partner globally in 2009 and the 1st in the Asian region. China is also a key partner to South Africa as we seek to advance South-South relations.

Our bilateral meetings with MOFCOM with regard to the finalization and the signing of the ToR will also afford an opportunity to further address the bilateral structure of trade between the two countries. It is to this end, that the dti officials will be visiting China to support both the Minister and the President.

In light of the above, we request that Director General grants approval for the following dti officials; Victor Mashabela, Iqbal Sharma, Phillip Mtsweni, Frank Stevens, Sadiq Jaffer, Yunus Hoosen, Bongani Lukhele, Vusi Mveli, Brian Soldaat and Talitha Setshedi to travel to China with Minister Rob Davies, in support of President Zuma during the State Visit.

4. THE DTI DELEGATION

Mr. Victor Mashabela- Chief Director: Bilateral Trade Relations, ITED

He is responsible for South Africa's bilateral relations with the world; he will therefore support the Minister on his bilateral engagements and also with his Chinese counterpart sign the Terms of Reference on establishing the Joint Working Group in Trade Statistics.

Mr. Phillip Mtsweni- Director: Asia Bilateral Relations, ITED

He is responsible for managing relations with China. He will support the Chief-Director during the meeting and the signing of the ToR. He will also ensure follow-up and implementation of the agreed work programme arising from discussions taken at the State Visit.

Mr. Frank Stevens- Deputy Director: Asia Bilateral Relations, ITED

He is responsible for implementation of the agreed work programme on China and will ensure follow-up on issues agreed during the State Visit. In addition, they will provide both technical and logistical support to the whole delegation.

Mr. Iqbal Meer Sharma – Deputy Director General (DDG): TISA

Mr Iqbal Sharma will lead the dti delegation that will provide support to the President and the dti Minister on the business component during the State Visit. Mr Sharma and TISA officials will also take part in other business events and meetings involving South African business delegation and their Chinese counterparts.

Mr. Sadiq Jaffer - Chief Director: Investment Promotion and Facilitation, TISA

Mr. Yunush Hoosen - Director: Investment Promotion and Facilitation, TISA

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Mr. Vusi Mveli - Director: Export Promotion, TISA

The abovementioned officials will follow up with their counterparts on joint economic programmes and interface with potential Chinese companies to promote sourcing South Africa valued added goods and services as well as investment opportunities in South Africa. They will coordinate and facilitate engagements between South African companies and their Chinese counterparts.

They will also support Minister Rob Davies in meetings with his counterpart and also support the President during his visit to the South African pavilion at the 2010 Shanghai expo in China

Mr. Brian Soldaat- Deputy Director: Investment Promotion and Facilitation, TISA

Ms. Talitha Setshedi- Assistant Director: Office of the DDG, TISA

As the official visit will be accompanied by more than 100 members of the business delegation, the above mentioned officials from TISA will formulate a programme for the business delegation; arrange business seminars and business to business meetings for the South African companies. They will also assist the Embassy and provide logistical support to their principals during the official visit. They will also be responsible for the overall management of the business delegation as well as securing good

Mr Bongani Lukhele – Deputy Director: Media, Marketing

The official will coordinate media interviews for the Minister and handle enquiries from local and international media. He will distribute speeches and issue media releases of the event. The official will also communicate and market the visit to the international and local media.

TRAVEL DATES

- Victor Mashabela, Iqbal Sharma, Phillip Mtsweni, Frank Stevens, Bongani Lukhele, Vusi Mveli will depart SA for China on **21 August 2010**, and depart China for Johannesburg on **29 August 2010**.
- Sadiq Jaffer, Yunus Hoosen, Brian Soldaat and Talitha Setshedi will depart SA for China on **16 August 2010**, and depart China for Johannesburg on **29 August 2010**

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

For the dti officials to support Minister Dr Rob Davies and President Jacob Zuma during the State Visit in China.

ITED OFFICIALS

Roundtrip (air ticket) (Business) R 65000 x 1 officials	R 65000.00
Roundtrip (air ticket) (Economy) R50000 x 2 officials	R 100000.00
S&T @ \$US117 x R7.25 (R850) x 9 days x 3 officials	R 22950.00
Accommodation: R 2500 x 8 nights x 3 officials	R 60000.00
Transport (R2000 x 3 officials)	R 6000.00
Communication (fax and internet) R1000 x 3 officials	R 3000.00
Laundry R 1000 x 3 officials	R 3000.00
Sub Total	R 259 950.00

TISA OFFICIALS INCLUDING MARKETING OFFICIAL

Roundtrip (air ticket) (Business) R 65000 x 2 officials	R 130000.00
Roundtrip (air ticket) (Economy) R50000 x 5 officials	R 250000.00
S&T @ \$US 117x R7.25 (850) x 14 days x 4 officials	R 47600.00
S&T @ \$US 117x R7.25 (850) x 9 days x 3 officials	R 22950.00
Accommodation: R 2500 x 13 nights x 4 officials	R 130000.00
Accommodation: R 2500 x 8 nights x 3 official	R 60000.00
Transport (R2000 x 7 officials)	R 14000.00
Communication (fax and internet) R1000 x 7 officials	R 7000.00
Laundry R1000 x 7 officials	R 7000.00
Sub Total	R 668550.00
TOTAL (ITED, TISA, MARKETING)	R 928 500.00

Allocation Codes**Mr. Victor Mashabela**

(Business class air ticket and subsistence allowance)
 Responsibility code: 10073441, CD: Bilateral Agreements
 Objectives code : 10038441
 ITEM: T&S (Foreign)

Mr Phillip Mtsweni and Mr Frank Stevens

(Economy class air ticket and subsistence allowance)
 Responsibility code: Asia 10065441
 Objectives code : Bilateral agreements 10038441
 ITEM: T&S (Foreign)

Mr Iqbal Meer Sharma

(Business class air ticket and subsistence allowance)
 Responsibility code: 10197441
 Objectives code : 10260441
 ITEM: T&S (Foreign)

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Ms Talitha Setsedi

(Economy class air ticket and subsistence allowance)

Responsibility code: 10197441

Objectives code : 10260441

ITEM: T&S (Foreign)

Mr Sadiq Jaffer

(Business class air ticket and subsistence allowance)

Responsibility code: 10200441

Objectives code : 10262441

ITEM: T&S (Foreign)

Mr Yunus Hoosen

(Economy class air ticket and subsistence allowance)

Responsibility code: 10201441

Objectives code : 10262441

ITEM: T&S (Foreign)

Mr Vusi Mweli

(Economy class air ticket and subsistence allowance)

Responsibility code: 10208441

Objectives code : 10267441

ITEM: T&S (Foreign)

Mr Brian Soldaat

(Economy class air ticket and subsistence allowance)

Responsibility code: 10202441

Objectives code : 10262441

ITEM: T&S (Foreign)

Mr Bongani Lukhele

(Economy class air ticket and subsistence allowance)

Responsibility code: 10286441

Objectives code : 10288441

ITEM: T&S (Foreign)

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6. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Director General grants approval for the following dti officials: Victor Mashabela, Iqbal Sharma, Phillip Mtsweni, Frank Stevens, Sadiq Jaffer, Yunus Hoosen, Bongani Lukhele, Vusi Mveli, Brian Soldaat and Talitha Setshedi to travel to China with Minister Rob Davies, in support of President Zuma *as part of the delegation* during the State Visit, to that country.

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 for Minister about
 role of media unit
 on this trip.
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 get back 6
 hrs after he
 checked with
 Minister.
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6. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Director General grants approval for the following dti officials: Victor Mashabela, Iqbal Sharma, Phillip Mtsweni, Frank Stevens, Seabelo Molepolle, Sadiq Jaffer, Yunus Hoosen, Bongani Lukhele, Vusi Mveli, Brian Soldaat and Talitha Setshedi to travel to China with Minister Rob Davies, ~~in support of President Zuma's~~ *as part of the delegation of* ~~the State Visit to that country~~.

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Date: 13.....108/2010
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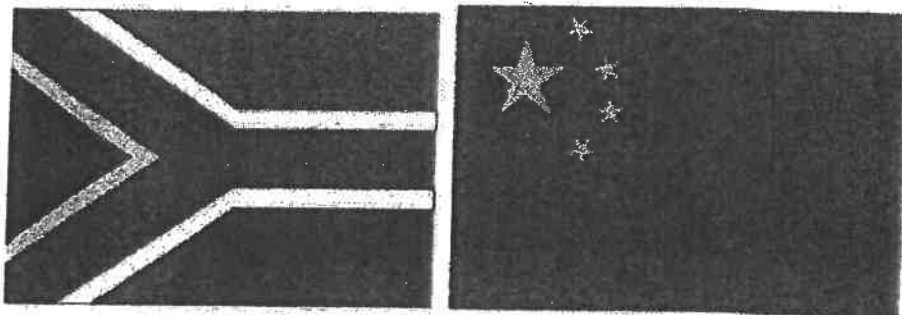


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VISIT TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA BY H.E. PRESIDENT JG ZUMA.

24 - 26 August 2010



BRIEFING NOTE FOR MINISTERS ACCOMPANYING PRESIDENT ZUMA

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SECTION A: DRAFT PROGRAMME

Monday, 23 August 2010

- 00:00 The President and entourage arrive at Beijing Capital Airport (New VIP Terminal)
Received by: Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs for Africa
- 00:00 The President receives flower bouquet from children
- 00:00 President escorted directly to vehicle
- 00:00 President and entourage proceed to Diaoyutai State Guesthouse
Villa No.18
Address: No.2 Fuchenglu, Haidian District
Tel No. +86 (10) 58591188
- 00:00 Briefing to the President
Venue: Diaoyutai State Guesthouse
- 00:00 Private Dinner
Venue: Diaoyutai State Guesthouse

Tuesday, 24 August 2010

- 00:00 Breakfast
- 00:00 Depart for Business Seminar
- 10:00-11:00 President to open Business Seminar and witness signing of business contracts
Venue:
Diaoyutai State Guesthouse
Contact: Recado Andrews
- 12:00-14:00 Luncheon with Chinese Business Executives hosted by the President
Venue: Diaoyutai State Guesthouse
- 14:10-14:25 Greet South African Embassy staff
Venue: Diaoyutai State Guesthouse
- 14:30-15:15 Meet Ambassadors of the African Diplomatic Corps
Venue: Diaoyutai State Guesthouse
- 16:30 Depart for the Great Hall of the People
- 17:00-17:15 Welcome Ceremony hosted by President Hu Jintao
Venue: Great Hall of the People
Contact:
- 17:15-18:15 Official talks between President J Zuma and President Hu Jintao
Venue: Great Hall of the People
Contact:
- 18:15-18:30 Signing Ceremony of Agreements
Venue: Great Hall of the People
Contact:

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18:30-19:30 Dinner hosted by President Hu Jintao
Venue: Great Hall of the People
Contact:

00:00 -00:00 Spousal Programme
To be confirmed

Wednesday 26 August 2010

00:00-00:00 Breakfast
Venue: Diaoyutai State Guesthouse

10:00-11:00 Lecture by President Zuma at Renmin University
Venue: tbc

11:30-12:00 One-on-one interview with President by Chinese television network
Venue: Diaoyutai State Guesthouse

00:00 Lunch

00:00-00:00 Media Conference
Venue: Diaoyutai State Guesthouse

00:00 Depart for Great Hall of the People

15:00-15:40 Meeting with Mr Xi Jinping, Vice President of the P.R.C.
Venue: Great Hall of the People
Contact:

16:00-16:40 Meeting with Mr Wu Bangguo, Chairman of the National People's Congress
(NPC)
Venue: Great Hall of the People
Contact:

17:00-17:40 Meeting with Premier Wen Jiabao
Venue: tbc

00:00 Depart for Diaoyutai State Guesthouse

18:15 Briefing to South African media
Venue: Diaoyutai State Guesthouse

19:00-20:00 Dinner

20:10 Check-out of Diaoyutai State Guesthouse

20:30 Depart for Beijing Capital Airport (New VIP Terminal)

00:00 Arrive at Beijing Capital Airport

21:00 Depart Beijing for Shanghai

23:00 Arrive in Shanghai at Airport
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00:00 Depart for Hotel

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Thursday, 26 August 2010

00:00 Breakfast

00:00 Expo site visit
Venue: tbc

00:00 Depart for the South African Pavilion at the Expo site
Contact: Consul-General VM Khumalo

00:00-00:00 Tour of Expo site

00:00 Media briefing
Venue: Expo2010 site

00:00 Meeting with the Shanghai Secretary of the Chinese Communist Party (tbc)
Venue: tbc

00:00 Lunch

00:00 Check out from the Hotel and depart for Airport

00:00 Depart Shanghai

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SECTION B: COUNTRY PROFILE - CHINA AT A GLANCE



Official Name	-	The People's Republic of China
Ruling Party	-	Chinese Communist Party
Head of State	-	Hu Jintao
Foreign Minister	-	Yang Jiechi
Ambassador to SA	-	H.E. Zhong Jianhua
Ambassador to PRC	-	H.E. Ndumiso Ntshinga
*China's GDP	-	US \$ 5.6 bn (April 2010)
*China's real GDP Growth (%)	-	9.7 % (April 2010)
*Source:	-	www.efu.com

Land area: 9,561,000 sq km

Population: 1.32bn (end-2007; official estimate)

Population (millions) of main urban areas:

Shanghai 15.6; Chongqing 5.1; Beijing (capital) 13.1; Wuhan 4.9; Guangzhou 11.0; Harbin 4.8; Shenzhen 8.5; Shenyang 4.4; Dongguan 6.5; Chengdu 3.8; Tianjin 5.2; Zhengzhou 3.5

Climate: 23-33°C (average daily minimum and maximum in August)

Language: *Putonghua*, (known as Mandarin); local dialects and languages are also used

Measures: The metric system is used

Currency: Renminbi (Rmb), or Yuan. Average exchange rate in 2009: Rmb 6.83: US\$1

As of 17 August 2010: 1.00 USD = 6.79660 Rmb

Fiscal Year: January-December

Time: 6 hours ahead of SA

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According to the *National Bureau of Statistics of China*, released on 15 July 2010, the preliminary gross domestic product (GDP) of China in the first half of this year was 17,284.0 billion Yuan, a year-on-year increase of 11.1 percent, which was 3.7 percentage points higher than that in the same period last year. The value added of the primary industry was 1,336.7 billion Yuan, up by 3.6 percent; that of the secondary industry was 8,583.0 billion Yuan, up by 13.2 percent; and that of the tertiary industry was 7,364.3 billion Yuan, up by 9.6 percent.

The agricultural production kept a steady growth and the output of summer grain maintained the same level. The total output of summer grain was 123.10 million tons, a decrease of 390 thousand tons, down by 0.3 percent, and this is the third best harvest since the foundation the People's Republic of China. In the first half of this year, the total output of pork, beef and mutton reached 37.13 million tons, a year-on-year growth of 3.5 percent. The output of pork reached 24.55 million tons, up by 3.6 percent.

Industrial production picked up quickly with a substantial increase in economic efficiency of enterprises. In the first half of this year, the total value added of the industrial enterprises above designated size was up by 17.6 percent year-on-year, or 10.6 percentage points higher than that in the first half of 2009. An analysis on different types of enterprises showed that the value added growth of the state-owned and state holding enterprises went up by 17.7 percent; collective enterprises by 10.2 percent; share-holding enterprises by 18.8 percent; and 17.0 percent growth for enterprises funded by foreign investors or investors from Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan provinces. The year-on-year growth of heavy industry was 19.4 percent, and 13.6 percent for the light industry. Among 39 industrial divisions, 38 of them registered year-on-year growth. In terms of different areas, the growth in eastern, central and western regions was 16.7 percent, 20.7 percent and 17.6 percent respectively. The production and sales of industrial products went on well. In the first half of this year, the sales ratio of industrial products was 97.8 percent, or 0.4 percentage point higher than that in the previous year.

In the first five months of this year, the profits made by industrial enterprises above designated size stood at 1,539.7 billion Yuan, up by 81.6 percent year-on-year. Among the 39 industrial divisions, 36 divisions registered year-on-year increase in profits, 1 division reversed from loss-making to profits, and the rest 2 divisions witnessed reduction of profits.

The growth rate of investment in fixed assets came down from a high level while the investment in real estate experienced accelerated growth. In the first half of this year, the investment in fixed assets of the country was 11,418.7 billion Yuan, a year-on-year growth of 25.0 percent. Of this total, the investment in urban areas reached 9,804.7 billion Yuan, up by 25.5 percent while that in rural areas was 1,614.0 billion Yuan, up by 22.1 percent. Of the total investment in fixed assets in urban areas, that in the primary industry, the secondary industry and the tertiary industry went up by 17.8 percent, 22.3 percent and 28.4 percent respectively. The investment in eastern, central and western regions grew by 22.4 percent, 28.0 percent and 27.3 percent respectively. In the first half of this year, the investment in real estate development was 1,974.7 billion Yuan, up by 38.1 percent year-on-year.

Sales on domestic markets enjoyed fast growth and the popular commodities maintained high sales. In the first half of this year, the total retail sales of consumer goods reached 7,266.9 billion Yuan, a year-on-year rise of 18.2 percent. The retail sales in cities reached 6,265.9 billion Yuan, up by 18.6 percent, and the retail sales in rural areas stood at 1,001.0 billion Yuan, up by 15.6 percent. Grouped by consumption patterns, the income of catering industry was 818.1 billion Yuan, up by 16.9 percent; that of retail sales of commodities, 6,448.8 billion Yuan, up by 18.4 percent. In particular, the retail sales by businesses above designated size reached 2,646.5 billion Yuan, up by 30.0 percent. Rapid growth was registered in emerging areas for consumption: the sales of motor vehicles rose by 37.1 percent; that of furniture went up by 36.5 percent, and that of household appliances and audio-video equipment grew by 28.8 percent.

The year-on-year growth of consumer prices went up mildly while producer prices for manufactured goods increased sharply. In the first half of this year, the consumer prices went up by 2.6 percent. The price rose by 2.5 percent in cities and that in rural areas by 2.8 percent. Grouped by commodity

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categories, five out of the eight witnessed growth and the rest three saw drops in prices. The prices for food rose by 5.5 percent; prices for tobacco, liquor and articles up by 1.7 percent; health care and personal articles up by 2.7 percent; recreation, education, culture articles and services up by 0.3 percent; and housing up by 3.9 percent while prices for clothing down by 1.1 percent; household facilities, articles and maintenance services down by 0.6 percent; and transportation and communication down by 0.1 percent. In terms of month-on-month change, in June this year, the consumer prices dropped by 0.6 percent. In the first half of this year, the producer prices for manufactured goods went up by 6.0 percent year-on-year; the month-on-month change in June was down by 0.3 percent. In the first half of the year, the year-on-year growth of purchasing prices for raw materials, fuels and power was 10.8 percent.

Foreign trade recovered rapidly and trade surplus was reduced markedly. The total value of imports and exports for the first half of this year was US\$ 1,364.9 billion, up by 43.1 percent year-on-year. The value of exports was US\$ 705.1 billion, up by 35.2 percent, and the value of imports was US\$ 649.8 billion, up by 52.7 percent. The trade surplus was US\$ 55.3 billion.

The urban and rural population's income continued to grow with steady increase in living expenditure for consumption. In the first half of this year, the per capita total income of urban households was 10,699 Yuan. Of this total, the per capita disposable income of urban population was 9,757 Yuan, a year-on-year growth of 10.2 percent, or a real growth of 7.5 after deducting price factors. Of the per capita total income of urban households, the year-on-year growth of wage income was 9.7 percent; transferred income 13.2 percent; net income from business operation 8.6 percent; and 20.7 percent from property income. The per capita cash income of rural population was 3,078 Yuan, up by 12.6 percent year-on-year, or 8.5 percent growth in real terms. Of this total, the growth of wage income was 18.0 percent; household business operating income 8.0 percent; property income 21.3 percent; and 18.6 percent from transferred income. In the first half of this year, the per capita consumption expenditure for urban population increased by 7.2 percent in real terms and the per capita consumption expenditure in cash for rural population grew by 8.5 percent after deducting the price factor.

The growth rate of money supply dropped from the high level while the incremental outstanding loans and deposits declined as compared with that a year ago. By the end of June, the balance of broad money (M_2) was 67.4 trillion Yuan, a year-on-year growth of 18.5 percent; the balance of narrow money (M_1) was 24.1 trillion Yuan, a rise of 24.6 percent; and the balance of cash in circulation (M_0) was 3.9 trillion Yuan, up by 15.7 percent. The amount of outstanding loans of all financial institutions was 44.6 trillion Yuan, increased by 4.6 trillion Yuan over that at the beginning of this year, or a drop of 2.7 trillion Yuan as compared with the end of June last year. The amount of outstanding deposits of all financial institutions was 67.4 trillion Yuan, an increase of 7.6 trillion Yuan over the beginning of the year, or 2.3 trillion Yuan less than that a year ago.

The domestic and international environment for national economic development is still fairly complicated, and there are still a lot of difficulties and problems in the course of economic recovery. We should be guided by the scientific outlook on development, implement various policies set by the Central Party Committee and the State Council, continue to carry out the pro-active fiscal policy and moderately easy monetary policy, maintain the continuity and stability of macroeconomic policies, and improve the relevance and flexibility of the policies. In implementing the policies, we should apply the proper strength, pace and focus on the priorities, vigorously promote the adjustment of economic structures and the transformation of economic development mode, and make great efforts to intensify the economic reform and achieve a sound and fast economic and social development.

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Other Key Financial Indicators:

(Source: Foreign Affairs July/August 2010 "Coping with China's Financial Power – Beijing's Financial Foreign Policy" by Ken Miller)

Foreign Exchange Reserves:	US\$2.4 trillion (2009 – People's Bank of China)
Currency Swap Deals:	with Argentina, Belarus, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Malaysia and South Korea
Trade Surplus	US\$186 billion (2009 – China National Bureau of Stats)
China's outbound FDI	US\$48 billion (2009 – around 1% of GDP) (US\$211 billion total accumulated FDI – around 4.3% of GDP)
China's Investment Corporation	(US\$300 billion under management in 2009 -Sovereign Wealth Fund)
Export-Import Bank of China	US\$10 billion worth of concessional loans (2009)

Overview of SA-China Political Relations:

Since the establishment of diplomatic relations in 1998 and the subsequent adoption of the "One China Policy", South Africa's relations with China has expounded substantially in the political and economic spheres.

Importantly, since the 10th year anniversary celebrations of SA-China relations in 2008, the marketing of the 2010 FIFA World Cup and South Africa's successful participation in the 2010 Shanghai World Expo has resulted in SA's image being greatly enhanced in China.

China and South Africa share a common vision and have sufficient consensus on a range of global issues and domestic challenges. Relations are underpinned by more than 60 joint agreements, memoranda, programmes of action, declarations and exchange of notes, which, *inter alia*, cover diplomatic relations, protection of investments, trade and economic cooperation, double tax avoidance housing, agriculture, human resources development, police cooperation, civil air transportation, scientific and technological exchanges, water, sport, arts and culture.

The defining instruments are the *Pretoria Declaration on the Partnership of 2000*, and the *Programme of Cooperation on Deepening the Strategic Partnership of 2006*. These *Declarations* reflect the broad bilateral engagement and common agenda.

President Zuma first visited China as the Deputy President of SA in 2004, where he held bilateral discussion with Vice President Zeng Qinghong. He paid courtesy calls on President Hu Jintao, Mr Wu Bangguo and Premier Wen Jiabao. His delegation visited the cities of Shenzhen, in Guangdong Province (the first Special Economic Zone), and Xian in Shaanxi Province.

The following may be noted with reference to our bilateral relations during 2010:

Feb 2010:	Minister Nkoana-Mashabane paid an official visit to the PRC.
March 2010:	Mr Jia Qinglin, Chairperson of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference paid an official visit to SA.
April 2010:	South Africa participates in the 2010 Shanghai World Expo until end of October.
August 2010:	President Jacob Zuma to pay a State Visit to the PRC.
October 2010:	The Speaker of Parliament, Mr Max Sisulu to pay an official visit to the PRC.
November 2010:	Vice President Xi Jinping to pay an official visit to SA to co-chair the 4 th BNC.
December 2010:	Planning to co-chair FOCAC in 2012 and to host FOCAC Summit in SA in 2015.

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China is already assisting SA with the implementation of SA's Five National Priorities as follows:

Education and training:

SA-PRC: 200 artisans training through Umsobomvu Youth Fund, 10 short term courses and long term courses for post-graduates e.g. Agriculture, construction, IT etc; upgrading of FET Colleges and vocational training; and 28 new education projects.

FOCAC: PhD students to PRC; 20:20 University.

Fight against Crime

SA-PRC: Organised crime cooperation signed in 1998 and reviewed in August 2010.

Health

SA-PRC: Traditional medicine.

FOCAC: Hospital infrastructure development.

Creating Decent Jobs

Major trading partner

Major investor:

SA-PRC: IDC loan US\$ 50 million to re-capitalise export finance loan book, loan to DBSA; purchase by ICBC of stake in Standard Bank.

Technology transfer e.g. solar panels

FOCAC: China-Africa Development Fund US\$ 5 billion.

Land and Rural Development:

SA-PRC: Aquaculture Gariep Demonstration Project

FOCAC: Agricultural demonstration centres and infrastructure e.g. grain storage facilities in Zambia

SA-PRC Trade Relations: (SA-China Trade Statistics www.thedti.gov.za (Rand '000))

SA Exports	May. 2010	R4,212,187
Annual Total Exports	2009	R48,686,325
SA Imports	May. 2010	R5,785,999
Annual Total Imports	2009	R70,809,455
SA Trade Balance	May. 2010	R-1,573,813
	Feb.2010	R-1,774,658
Trade Balance	2009	R-22,123,130
Total Trade between SA and the PRC	in 2009	R119,495,780

Recent SA-China Bilateral Developments:

The Minister visited the PRC for bilateral consultations in February 2010 to prepare for a State Visit by President Zuma to the PRC later this year. She met with her counterpart, Mr. Yang Jiechi for consultations, and paid a courtesy call on the Vice- President, Mr. Xi Jinping. The visit successfully reviewed the dynamic strategic partnership between South Africa and the PRC and it was agreed in principle that relations be elevated to a Comprehensive Strategic Partnership.

The importance of hosting the 4th Plenary of the Bi-National Commission (BNC) in South Africa in the latter part of 2010 was emphasised, to implement the outcomes of the forthcoming State Visit and to advance practical cooperation within Sectoral Committees and Working Groups. Currently, three Sectoral Committees exist within the BNC structure, namely Foreign Affairs; Economic and Trade; and Education.

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In order to further align SA's Five National Priorities within the BNC structure, new Sectoral Committees will be proposed. A review mechanism has also been proposed between the respective Ministries to streamline the BNC Process.

Shanghai 2010 World Expo:

The construction of the South African pavilion at the Shanghai 2010 World Expo was facilitated in consultation with key national departments, provinces and cities, as well as the private sector. The overall theme "The rise of a Modern Economy- Ke Nako!" and monthly themes were approved in April 2009. The Shanghai 2010 World Expo, scheduled to take place from 01 May 2010 until 31 October 2010, offers South Africa an opportunity to showcase the vibrancy of South African cities and urban culture and market South Africa to Chinese society as a modern and vibrant economy; as well as improve the coordination of South Africa's international relations.

MONTH	THEME	LEAD ORGANISATION
May	South Africa's contribution through FIFA 2010 World Cup: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technology and Innovation and • Urban and infrastructure Development 	2010 FIFA loc, DIRCO Public Diplomacy
June	Remodeling of communities in the city: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fighting urban poverty (best practices in all provinces) • Cosmo cities • Inner city regeneration 	The Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs.
July	A Modern Economy	The DTI.
August	A Modern Economy	The DTI.
September	Tourism and Heritage	The Department of Arts & Culture/SA Tourism
October	Environment and Climate Change	The Department of Science & Technology /Department of Water and Environmental Affairs

Forum on China Africa Cooperation (FOCAC):

The Minister of International Relations and Cooperation, Ms. M. Nkoana-Mashabane, attended the 4th Forum on China Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) Ministerial meeting in Sharm El - Sheik, Egypt during November 2009. FOCAC is the key instrument for the PRC's engagement with Africa. A bilateral meeting between Minister Nkoana-Mashabane and her Chinese counterpart, Mr. Yang Jiechi, was also held on the margins of the FOCAC Ministerial on 9 November 2009. South Africa remains committed to finding synergies between the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) and FOCAC to ensure the Consolidation of the African Agenda and looks forward to co-hosting the 5th FOCAC Ministerial scheduled for 2012 and hosting the FOCAC Ministerial in South Africa in 2015.

Multilateral Relations:

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In the Multilateral sphere, President Zuma met President Hu Jintao at the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) in September 2009 and at the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP 15) held in Copenhagen in December 2009. South Africa and the PRC share a common vision on Climate Change, as expressed in their collaboration on The Copenhagen Accord in the Brazil, South Africa, India and China (BASIC) grouping.

Important SA- PRC Agreements:

30 December 1997

Joint Communiqué between the Government of the People's Republic of China and the Government of the Republic of South Africa on the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations

April 2000

The Pretoria Declaration on the Establishment of the Partnership Between the People's Republic of China and the Republic of South Africa

December 2001

Exchange of Notes on the Establishment of Bi-National Commission between the Government of the People's Republic of China and the Government of the Republic of South Africa".

21 June 2006

Programme of Cooperation on Deepening the Strategic Partnership

28 August 2006

Memorandum of Understanding on Promoting Bilateral Trade and Economic Cooperation.

24 September 2007

Agreement on Co-operation in the Minerals and Energy Sector.

February 2010 (ongoing)

In the process of drafting and negotiating a Comprehensive Strategic Partnership

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SECTION C: SALIENT OBJECTIVES OF THE VISIT

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- strengthen and broaden economic and commercial interaction between the two countries;
- expand South-South interaction with a view to strengthen the voice of the developing world and its capacity to address the needs of its people, and
- to demonstrate appreciation for the importance South Africa attaches to its political, economic and cultural relationship with China.

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I am advised that your Department intend to sign Terms of Reference during the visit. You will take responsibility for the business leg of the visit. Therefore, I wish to extend an invitation to you to join me on this auspicious occasion. Your presence, I believe, will work towards improving our relations with China.

I look forward to your reply as well as the programme for the business part of the visit that is arranged by your department.

Yours sincerely,



**MR. JACOB GEDLEYIHLEKISA ZUMA
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04 August 2010

Dear Minister

**STATE VISIT TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (PRC)
FROM 24-26 AUGUST 2010.**

Honourable Minister, you might be aware, that I am undertaking a State Visit to the People's Republic of China (PRC) from 24-26 August 2010.

Since the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries, relations have grown to a point that the two countries are now close strategic partners. The two sides have agreed to elevate the strategic partnership to a new "Comprehensive Strategic Partnership" which will guide our bilateral relations into the future. In this regard, China is now South Africa's biggest trading partner.

The first leg of my visit starts in Beijing, the capital of the PRC on 24 August 2010, where I will meet my counterpart, President Hu Jintao. On the 25 August 2010, I will meet with Premier Wen, Chairman of National People's Congress, Mr. Wu Bangguo and Vice President Xi Jinping to consolidate and strengthen political relations.

The second leg of my visit will end with Shanghai, the finance and commercial hub of China to interact with captains of industry, with the view to strengthen economic ties between South Africa and China. I will also be visiting the South Africa Pavilion at the Shanghai 2010 World Expo.

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SUBMISSION

Reference No: China State Visit

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Email: CMatlou@thedti.gov.za**TO: DIRECTOR-GENERAL: DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY****SUBJECT: TO REQUEST APPROVAL OF 6 EMERGING COMPANIES TO PARTICIPATE IN
THE PRESIDENTIAL STATE VISIT TO CHINA THAT DO NOT QUALIFY UNDER
THE EMIA SCHEME**

1. PURPOSE

To request approval to assist 6 emerging black companies, as identified by the National Youth Development Agency (NYDA) to form part of the Presidential State Visit to China.

2. BACKGROUND

The President of South Africa, Mr Jacob Zuma will be undertaking a state visit to China from 24-26 August 2010. In this regard the Office of the President has requested for the President to be accompanied by a business delegation that also includes emerging exporters and BEE (Particularly youth owned enterprises) firms looking for possible investment and technology partners.

The South Africa-China bilateral discussion will provide a platform to advance issues of bilateral interest, which amongst others include:

- Support for South Africa's non-permanent seat on the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) from 2011-2012 Promotion and deepening of two way trade and investment
- A common vision on climate change (BASIC grouping);

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- South-South Co-operation (G77 and China and New Africa-Asia);
 - Support for South Africa's BRIC membership; and co-operation in the G20

The economic relations between South Africa and China had registered fast and healthy growth since the establishment of diplomatic relations in 1998. China's dramatic rise as the largest developing country in the world has created a platform for building mutually beneficial interaction with South Africa. China offers vast export opportunities and the potential to absorb a higher proportion of value-added exports from South Africa. In addition China offers unique opportunities in terms of investment, joint ventures and technology transfer for South Africa and remains a strategic partner for South Africa in the Asian region.

China is currently South Africa's largest trading partner, with trade between the two countries being just under R120 billion in 2009. Chinese investments in South Africa were mainly in the banking, construction and mining sectors and in the cement and electronic goods assembly industries. South African investments in China included the food and beverage, energy, luxury yachts, media, banking, insurance, mining, consulting and paper and pulp industries.

China's rapidly growing economy has fuelled its demand for more energy; as a result China is the largest oil consumer after the US, and the world's biggest producer and consumer of coal. It spends billions of dollars in pursuit of foreign energy supplies. There has been a massive investment in hydro-power, including the \$25bn Three Gorges Dam project.

The State Visit is seen as an opportunity to further advance South Africa's trade agenda. It is in this regard, that the dti, through the Trade and Investment Division (TISA) has been mandated to organize a South African business delegation in support of the President during his State visit to China. The event will further advance the dti's focus on China as South Africa's strategic partner and also advance the Export and Investment Promotion strategy to focus on new high growth markets.

3. MOTIVATION FOR WAIVING THE RULE

To comply with the request from the office of the President, 6 companies from the National Youth development Agency (NYDA) were invited to apply to be part of the business delegation. Most of these SMME and BEE companies invited to be part of the business delegation accompanying the President are unable to fund their travel considering the short notice

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invitations that normally go with State Visits. Consideration was taken that that these companies are BEE companies from within the NYDA, with a potential into the Chinese market. Time constraints with regard to meeting EMIA requirements was considered and it is in this regard that approval is requested to consider the 6 companies (list attached) that did not meet the EMIA requirements to be approved under TISA operational budget. The 6 approved companies fall within the prescribed sectors that were identified for the Presidential State visit to China i.e. Energy, Mining Beneficiation, Construction, Engineering. One of the companies previously participated in the di mission to Shanghai for the 2010 Expo and has made contacts in China and intends to conclude a deal during the State visit. The state visit will be an opportunity for those companies to make follow-ups or to strengthen relationships that were created during that particular mission.

The list of Companies is as follows:

No.	Title	Name	Surname	Id. number	Company	Sector	Contact no.	E mail	Purpose of visiting China
1	Mr.	Rudzanani Christopher	Singo	760212 5811 089	Mosa Trading PTY LTD	Construction	076 100 0825/011 805 5153	china@mosa.co.za	Seeking Investment Opportunities
2	Mr.	Kgashane Thapelo	Mohale	760620 5351 082	Alternative Recycling Technologies Investment Holdings	Energy	082 656 8121	info@artec.co.za	Seeking joint venture partner
3	Mr.	Mokete	Rakgogo	770913 5625 084	Linked Thoughts Consulting	Construction	082 9525 317	info@linkedthoughts.co.za	Seeking Investment Opportunities
4	Mr.	Maghinga Johannes	Zulu	750506 5368 087	Isizwe Chartered Accountants	Financial Services	084 2058 336/017 6324 365	info@isizwe.co.za	Seeking investment opportunities
5	Mr.	Kagiso Calvin	Dichabe	770618 5332 086	On Point Engineers	Energy	083 4591 127	info@onpoint.co.za	Seeking investment from China
6	Mr.	Thabani	Khumalo	438794636	Imfolozi Investments	Mining	083 523 4291	info@imfolozi.co.za	Strengthening Existing Relationships

To this end TISA jointly with NYDA and BUSA have created an opportunity for 275 companies to participate in the State visit to China.

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5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The following financial implications would be applicable and would be paid from the TISA operational budget:

*Economy class air ticket:

R 30,000 X 6 Companies

R180, 000.00

*Accommodation:

R2, 000.00 X 6 participants X 4 days

R48, 000.00

TOTAL

R 228, 000.00

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6. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Director General approve the payment of economy air ticket and Accommodation for 6 NYDA companies accompanying the President on his State Visit to China, scheduled from 24 - 26 August 2010.

REQUESTED BY:

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Name: CALVIN MATLOU
Rank: INTERN
Unit: EXPORT PROMOTION
Date: 16/08/2010

Applicant

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Name: ERNEST MOAGI
Rank: DEPUTY DIRECTOR
Unit: TISA
Date: 16/08/2010

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Pumla

Name: PUMLA NCAPAYI
Rank: DIRECTOR
Unit: EXPORT PROMOTION
Date: 16/08/2010

Supported / ~~Not supported~~

Smillie

Name: LYNNE SMILLIE
Rank: ACTING CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER
Unit: TISA
Date: 16/08/2010

Supported / ~~Not supported~~

Sadio

Name: SADIO JAFFER
Rank: ACTING DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL
Unit: TISA
Date: 16/08/2010

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Name: TSHEDISO MATONA
Rank: DIRECTOR GENERAL
Unit: DTI
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THE DEPARTMENT
OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY
SOUTH AFRICA



13 August 2010

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

ACTING DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL: TISA

Mr Sadiq Jaffer will be acting officially as Acting DDG: TISA during my absence on 16-20 August 2010. He will be responsible for all tasks attached to the position and may exercise all authorisations delegated to this position.

I M Sharma
Deputy Director General: TISA
Date: 13 August 2010

I hereby accept the acting appointment and undertake to exercise the delegated authority to the best of my ability.

Sadiq Jaffer
CD: Investment Prom & Fac
Date: 13 August 2010

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21 - 28 August 2010

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Briefing Session with Minister

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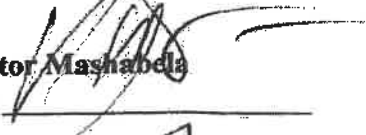
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Mr Phillip Mtsweni

Signed: 

Date: 2 Sep 2010

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Dear Mr. Nkosana Sifumba

RE: INFORMATION REGARDING THE PRESIDENTIAL VISIT TO CHINA, 24 - 26 AUGUST 2010

The above subject-matter and your email correspondence dated 14 August 2018 bears reference. As per the Commission's request, we enclose herewith the following information pertaining to the Department of Trade and Industry's (the dti) participation on visit by the erstwhile President, Mr Jacob Zuma to the People's Republic of China on 24 – 26 August 2010:

1 Purpose of the visit/mission

The purpose of the Presidential visit was to establish a new comprehensive Strategic Partnership between South Africa and China which would guide bilateral relations into the future in order to achieve the following objectives:

- 1.1 deepen and broaden the strategic partnership to a new comprehensive strategic partnership between the two countries;
- 1.2 strengthen and broaden economic and commercial interaction between the two countries;

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- 1.3 expand South-South interaction with a view to strengthen the voice of the developing world and its capacity to address the needs of its people, and its people; and
- 1.4 to demonstrate appreciation for the importance South Africa attaches to its political, economic and cultural relationship with China.

It is important to note that the role of the dti was to meet with officials of the Chinese Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) in order to discuss, among others, the terms of reference (TOR) on Trade Statistics with the aim of signing the TOR and to discuss the report on non-tariff barriers and its impact on expansion of trade. Furthermore, the dti officials' role was to support Minister Dr Rob Davies regarding the dti's inputs on the PGD incorporated in a Declaration on the Establishment of a Comprehensive Strategic Partnership which was signed by the respective heads of states. In this regard, Please see attach a letter dated 04 August 2010 from former President Jacob Zuma to the Minister (Annexure A) and submission dated 13 August 2010 to the Director-General for approval for the visit (Annexure B).

2. Full Itinerary and programme

The full itinerary and program of the visit is captured in the briefing document from the Department of International Relations and Cooperation (DIRCO) enclosed herein as Annexure C. We further attach a list of the attendees on the visit (Annexure D). The standard practice on arranging a State visit is that there is a business component and all private sector participants are required to cover the total cost of their attendance. A deviation submission (Annexure E) approved by the Director General of the dti is attached for six emerging exporters to be funded. This is part of the Department's export development programme to assist emerging exporters to gain exposure in foreign markets.

3. Mission report

Officials from the dti are required to submit a travel report on any foreign visit they undertook in order to ensure that the objectives of the visit were achieved and value for money was obtained. The travel report submitted by the dti officials who attended the visit is attached (Annexure F).

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4. **Any available pictures taken during the mission**

Following a diligent search, no pictures of the visit could be obtained.

We hope that you find the above in order. Kindly let the writer know if anything further is needed.

Regards



MS ROBBYN RICHARDS

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Dear Minister

**STATE VISIT TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (PRC)
FROM 24-26 AUGUST 2010.**

Honourable Minister, you might be aware, that I am undertaking a State Visit to the People's Republic of China (PRC) from 24-26 August 2010.

Since the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries, relations have grown to a point that the two countries are now close strategic partners. The two sides have agreed to elevate the strategic partnership to a new "Comprehensive Strategic Partnership" which will guide our bilateral relations into the future. In this regard, China is now South Africa's biggest trading partner.

The first leg of my visit starts in Beijing, the capital of the PRC on 24 August 2010, where I will meet my counterpart, President Hu Jintao. On the 25 August 2010, I will meet with Premier Wen, Chairman of National People's Congress, Mr. Wu Bangguo and Vice President Xi Jinping to consolidate and strengthen political relations.

The second leg of my visit will end with Shanghai, the finance and commercial hub of China to interact with captains of industry, with the view to strengthen economic ties between South Africa and China. I will also be visiting the South Africa Pavilion at the Shanghai 2010 World Expo.

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I am advised that your Department intend to sign Terms of Reference during the visit. You will take responsibility for the business leg of the visit. Therefore, I wish to extend an invitation to you to join me on this auspicious occasion. Your presence, I believe, will work towards improving our relations with China.

I look forward to your reply as well as the programme for the business part of the visit that is arranged by your department.

Yours sincerely,



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Ms. Phyllis Difeto
Executive Manager
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Transnet Limited

Dear Phyllis

Kindly note that I Mabel Mentor hereby requested financial assistance from Transnet to accompany the presidential state visit to China on 22 August 2010. This letter should be read in conjunction with the e-mail send to Mr. Vuyo Kahla on the 20 August 2010.

Should you require any further information, kindly contact me.

Sincerely

Ms. MP Mentor, MP
Chairperson: Portfolio Committee on Public Enterprises

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Department:
Trade and Industry
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

06 July 2010

Dear Sir/Madam

Invitation to participate in a business delegation to accompany President Jacob Gedleyihlekisa Zuma on a State Visit to the People's Republic of China: 25 - 26 August 2010

The Department of Trade and Industry (the dti) and Business Unity South Africa (BUSA) would like to invite you to join the President of the Republic of South Africa, Jacob Zuma on his bilateral state visit to China from 24 -26 August 2010. (Beijing 24-25 and Shanghai 26)

China is the 3rd largest economy in the world behind the USA and Japan with a GDP of \$4.9 trillion in 2009, representing an 8.7 % growth from 2008. China's economic growth rate surged to 11.9 percent for the first quarter of this year, which is double that of the same period last year. In Purchasing Power Parity GDP, China has the second biggest economy globally, and is projected to be the largest economy in the world this century. The country's economic growth is becoming more broad based with domestic consumption likely to rise in importance, this due to a middle class of 200-300 million people. The ongoing urbanization will also be a major drive of growth with new cities developing in less developed inland provinces.

Trade and investment relations between South Africa and China have developed at a rapid pace since the commencement of diplomatic relations in 1998. Today, China is South Africa's largest trading partner, with trade between the two countries being just under R120 billion in 2009. China's investments in South Africa include mining, banking, construction, motoring and electronic goods sectors. South Africa is the only African country with significant investment in China, with investment by major South African companies in the following sectors: agro-processing, petrochemicals and energy, financial services, mining, property, etc.

There are a multitude of trade and investment opportunities for exporters in the China market. During the visit, sectors that are targeted for Business Seminars include Energy (including renewable energy), Agro-processing, financial services, mining and beneficiation as well as infrastructure.

Business Leaders wishing to join BUSA and the dti in China should complete and return the attached registration form by no later than 30 July 2010. The registration form must be accompanied by a one paragraph company profile, as well as a jpeg photo of the participant.

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Participants in the visit will be required to cover their own transport and accommodation costs. Preferential rates for flights and accommodation will be negotiated on behalf of the delegation. If you would like to take advantage of these arrangements then we request you to indicate so accordingly, on the registration form. Visas are required for entry into China and more information about visas to China can be obtained from Chinese Embassy website: www.chinese-embassy.org.za

Do not hesitate to contact the dti (Mr. Calvin Matlou on Tel: 012 394 3744 e-mail: CMatlou@thedti.gov.za) or BUSA (Ms. Salvation Andrase on Tel: 011 784 8000 e-mail: salvation.andrase@busa.org.za) for any enquiries regarding the trip.

Yours Sincerely


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Deputy Director General
The dti


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Chief Executive Officer
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Minister Davies to lead delegation to China for World Expo 2010 Shanghai

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The Minister of Trade and Industry, Dr Rob Davies will lead a 30-member business delegation to the World Expo 2010 Shanghai for the launch of the trade and investment months from 3-8 July 2010. The delegation comprises business people from the metal, mining and capital equipment sectors, as well as officials from three provincial economic development agencies.

The theme of Expo 2010 Shanghai is "Better City, Better Life", representing the common wish of the whole humankind for better living in future urban environments. This theme represents a central concern of the international community for future policy making, urban strategies and sustainable development. South Africa's participation is spread into sub-themes, with different Government Departments taking the lead for each month. the dti will lead and ensure execution of the trade and investment theme "A Modern Economy", scheduled for the months of July and August.

The Expo is a large-scale, global, non-commercial exhibition aimed at promoting the exchange of ideas and development of the world economy, culture, science and technology, to allow exhibitors to publicise and display their achievements and improve international relationship. It will be the biggest expo in history with over 200 participating countries and organisations.

A record number of African nations will attend the Expo 2010. Forty-eight countries have confirmed their participation (including South Africa). The event is envisaged to attract about 184 countries and international organisations to take part in the exhibition as well as 70 million visitors from home and abroad, ensuring the widest possible participation in the history of the world expositions.

According to the Deputy Director-General of the dti's Trade and Investments South Africa Division, Mr Iqbal Sharma, South Africa's participation in the Expo will strengthen mutually beneficial trade and economic ties between the two countries, raise the profile of South Africa – China relations, showcase South Africa's technology advancement and innovation, mining beneficiation and technology capabilities, defence technology, agro-processing, energy, ICT, and engineering. It will also increase foreign direct investment into South Africa and increase joint ventures, as well as to Asia and globally, therefore enabling South African firms to take advantage of export opportunities in the Chinese market.

"Participation at the World Expo Shanghai 2010 has many advantages for South Africa. These include the fact that it informs visitors what a country has to offer, directly reaches a huge potential tourism market, could be used as a forum to attract investment, and trade and will generally elevate South Africa's status internationally," said Sharma.

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South Africa beckons for Chinese Investors – Minister Davies

2010-07-07

The Minister of Trade and Industry, Dr Rob Davies has implored Chinese companies to invest in South Africa's mining beneficiation, capital equipment and metals sectors. Minister Davies was delivering a keynote address at the China-South Africa Business Seminar that took place at the Portman Carlton Hotel in the Chinese state of Shanghai. More than 100 business people from China and South Africa attended the seminar.

"The success of World Cup 2010 in South Africa and the Shanghai World Expo 2010 in China speaks volume about what is happening in the world economy today. The world economy has undergone very profound changes in the last few years. The new poles of economic power and the new forces of dynamism in the world economy have shifted very decisively to the South. China, which has emerged as the second largest economy in the world and is undoubtedly on track to become the largest economy in the world, is leading the way," said Minister Davies.

He singled out India and South Africa as two developing countries that were making tremendous progress in the world economy.

"The Mackenzie Consultancy recently issued a report that echoed what the IMF said a while ago, that after China and India, the next big successful story in the world will be Africa. Africa is poised to make big strides forward. The fact that South Africa is part of the dynamic advanced developing countries, a power in our own right, and are also part of the African continent, makes us a very important focus for investors and those interested in expanding trading relations," said Minister Davies.

He said China had grown from being SA's fourth largest trading partner in 2008, to being SA's largest trading partner in 2010. "We are in discussion with China to increase the proportion of value-added products that are being exported to China. Our policy is to encourage investment in higher levels of beneficiation of the SA mineral products. We believe some level of processing and beneficiation of the products in our country will add value to our economy and make returns for those investments more equitable and more growth enhancing," said Minister Davies.

South Africa's Consul-General, Vika Khumalo said the business people who were part of Minister Davies's delegation were in China to learn more about the country and establish potential partnerships that could be mutually beneficial.

"During the next few days, there will be seminars, business-business meetings and site visits bringing together Chinese companies with the South African opportunities to introduce and discuss potential cooperation. And we have no doubt that the outcome of the seminar and the South African delegation's visit will be concrete deals that will take our economic interaction to the highest level," said Khumalo.

Minister Davies is on a four-day trade and investment mission. He is leading a delegation comprising business people from the metals, mining and capital equipment sectors, as well as officials from provincial investment promotion agencies. MEC of Economic Development and Tourism in Limpopo, Mr Pitsi Moloto is also part of the delegation.

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Deputy Minister Maria Ntuli to lead Business Delegation to China
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The Deputy Minister of Trade and Industry, Ms Maria Ntuli will lead a 35-member business delegation from 7-12 August 2010 to the World Expo 2010 Shanghai taking place in China. The delegation comprises business people from the defence, security, arts and craft, and textile sectors, as well as officials from three provincial economic development agencies.

As part of her trade and investment promotion mission in the Chinese city, Deputy Minister Ntuli will address a business seminar that will be attended by Chinese and South African business people. Presentations on trade and investment opportunities available in both countries will be done. The South African business people will get an opportunity to meet with their Chinese counterparts for possible investment deals and partnerships.

Deputy Minister Ntuli will also tour the South African Pavilion at the Shanghai Expo, where the South African companies in her delegation will be showcasing their products and services to visitors.

The theme of the six-month Expo 2010 Shanghai, which runs from May-October, is "Better City, Better Life". The theme represents a central concern of the international community for future policy making, urban strategies and sustainable development. South Africa's participation is spread into sub-themes, with different Government Departments taking the lead for each month. The dti leads and ensure execution of the trade and investment theme "A Modern Economy", scheduled for the months of July and August. The theme was launched by the Minister of Trade and Industry, Dr Rob Davies last month. More than one million people had already visited the SA Pavilion by the end of June.

The Expo is a large-scale, global, non-commercial exhibition aimed at promoting the exchange of ideas and development of the world economy, culture, science and technology, to allow exhibitors to publicise and display their achievements and improve international relationship. It is said to be the biggest expo in history with about 200 participating countries and organisations.

South Africa's participation in the Expo will strengthen mutually beneficial trade and economic ties between the two countries, raise the profile of South Africa - China relations, showcase South Africa's technology advancement and innovation, mining beneficiation and technology capabilities, defence technology, agro-processing, energy, ICT, and engineering. It will also increase foreign direct investment into South Africa and increase joint ventures, as well as to Asia and globally, therefore enabling South African firms to take advantage of export opportunities in the Chinese market.

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Deputy Minister Ntuli encourages Chinese companies to increase investment in South Africa

2010-08-10

The Deputy Minister of Trade and Industry, Bongi Maria Ntuli, says South Africa beckons Chinese companies to increase investment in the country. Ntuli was speaking at a trade and investment business forum, attended by more than 100 Chinese and twenty South African business people, representing companies in the defence, security, arts and craft, and textile sectors. The forum was held at the Portman Ritz-Carlton Hotel, in the Chinese city of Shanghai, where she is on a five-day trade and investment mission.

"South Africa, today, is an emerging market in the world, and has a number of exciting trade and investment opportunities. We have a combination of a well-developed business support and dynamic investment environment that gives us a number of global competitive and comparative advantages and opportunities. As an open economy, we would welcome greater investment from China," said Ntuli.

She added that she would like to see partnerships being established between the SA and Chinese companies to support economic development in South Africa, build local industrial capacity, and support the integration of local production value chains.

"There are many enormous opportunities in our country and the sub-continent, particularly for upgrading existing or new investments in manufacturing across a range of sectors both for domestic and export markets, including to the growing African markets. We have launched the second phase of our industrial policy in a three-year Industrial Policy Action Plan (IPAP 2). The Plan represents a significant step forward in strengthening our efforts to promote long-term industrial development and industrial capacity beyond our traditional strengths in commodities and non-tradable services," she added.

Speaking at the same event, South Africa's Consul-General to Shanghai, Vika Khumalo, urged Chinese companies to consider investing in the South African aviation and aerospace industry.

"During the past decade, South Africa emerged as one of the global players in the aviation and aerospace industry as a result of its technical expertise and hi-end manufacturing capabilities. For South Africa, the development of our aviation sector has been essential for trading with other nations in Africa, as well as development of our domestic infrastructure where charter-flights have made access possible to otherwise remote destinations," said Khumalo.

Yesterday, Ntuli and the business delegation she is leading, attended the South African National Day Flag Raising Ceremony, and Women's Day celebrations at the Shanghai World Expo 2010. Former Deputy President, Baleka Mbete addressed the ceremony, while the Minister of Arts and Culture, Lulu Xingwana, spoke at the Women's Day celebrations. South African artists Thandiswa

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Mazwai, Sibongile Khumalo, Deborah Fraser, Chomee and Loveline Madumo entertained guests.

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Vytjie Mentor flew first class to China - Minister

Malusi Gigaba |

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Malusi Gigaba confirms that Transnet picked up bill for then parliamentary chairperson

DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO.: 3134

DATE OF PUBLICATION: 05 November 2010

3134. Mr P van Dalen (DA) to ask the Minister of Public Enterprises:

(1) Whether Transnet funded a certain person's (Vytjie Mentor) trip to China in August 2010; if so, (a) what was the amount paid by Transnet to fund this trip, (b) from which budget were these funds appropriated, (c) what were the reasons for funding this trip and (d) what is the breakdown of the funding paid by Transnet;

(2) Whether Transnet funded any other overseas trips of members of Parliament (MPs) in the past; if so, in each case, (a) what is the name of the MP, (b) when did the trip occur, (c) what was the destination and (d) what is the reason for funding the trip;

(3) Whether Transnet has a budget for the specific purpose of funding trips by MPs; if so, how (a) long has this budget been in existence and (b) much funds have been used since its inception? NW3934E

REPLY

(1) Yes, Transnet has funded the former Chairperson of the Portfolio Committee on Public Enterprises on a trip to China in August 2010.

(1)(a) The amount funded for the trip was R155, 456.00.

(1)(b) The funds were appropriated from Transnet's sponsorship budget.

(1)(c) The reasons for funding the trip are as follows:

- The former Chairperson, in her request for the sponsorship, indicated that on 19 August 2010 she had received an invitation from the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) to participate in the President's State Visit and given that she had only received the invitation on 19 August 2010, she would not be able to obtain the applicable approval for the costs of an international travel. According to her, it would have taken up to 14 days (in terms of the applicable policy of Parliament) to obtain approval for the costs of an international trip. Such approval (assuming the maximum

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14 days was taken to obtain the necessary approval) would therefore be obtained long after the President's State Visit to China had been concluded.

- It was indicated by the former Chairperson that her participation (as invited) in the President's State Visit would benefit her in gaining better insight and understanding relative to the exercise of her responsibilities as the Chairperson of the Portfolio Committee on Public Enterprises as it would allow her to engage with, amongst others, Chinese State Owned Enterprises (SOEs) involved in rail.
- Transnet like many other corporates in South Africa, puts a lot of value in understanding the economy of the People's Republic of China and the role of SOEs in that economy. A lot of commodities that Transnet rails from source and handles in the ports prior to being shipped to their import destinations are destined for China.
- Transnet believes that any informed knowledge and understanding of SOEs that participate in the public freight logistics of the People's Republic of China would benefit the former Chairperson and her Committee, in general, in the exercise of their oversight role of SOEs.
- The former Chairperson provided Transnet with a copy of the invitation extended to her by the DTI. As the request for financial assistance had been sent by the Personal Assistant of the former Chairperson and not the former Chairperson herself, it was requested that she confirmed the contents under her signature, which she subsequently did.

1(d) The table below indicate the breakdown of the funding of a trip to China funded by Transnet.

AA (i) ACCOMMODATION		
DATE	HOTEL	AMOUNT PAID
In 23-08-2010 -		
Out 26-08- 2010	China World Summit Hotel - Beijing	R 6,530.00
In 26-08- 2010 -		
Out 27-08-2010	Portman Ritz Carlton Hotel - Shanghai	R 10,970.00
TOTAL		R 17,500.00
(ii) AIRTICKETS		
DATE	DEPARTURE-ARRIVAL AND CLASS	AMOUNT PAID
22 - 08 - 2010 and 28 - 08 - 2010	Cape Town to Johannesburg and Johannesburg to Cape Town (Business Class)	R 4,856.00
22-08-2010	Johannesburg - Dubai, (First Class)	R 133,100.00
23-08-2010	Dubai - Beijing, (First Class)	
25-08-2010	Beijing - Shanghai, (Economy Class)	
27-08-2010	Shanghai - Dubai, (First Class)	
28-08-2010*	Dubai - Johannesburg, (First Class)	
TOTAL		R 137,956.00
GRAND TOTAL		R 155,456.00

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* Different time zones

(2) No, Transnet did not fund any other overseas trips of Members of Parliament in the past.

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