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Reference Verwysing Isingqinisiso

PM 1/4 [2011/4980]

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16 October 2012

The Women's Legal Centre Attention: Sanja Bomman

Per Fax: 021 4245206

Dear Madam

O'REGAN COMMISSION OF INQUIRY REGARDING ALLEGED POLICE INEFFICIENCY AND A BREAKDOWN IN POLICE-COMMUNITY RELATIONS IN KHAYELITSHA, CAPE TOWN.

- 1. Further to the above matter, I confirm that last week I, together with various officials from the Provincial Government met with Minister Mthethwa, Commissioner Phlyga, General Lamoer and various other personnel from their respective offices, on the issue of the O'Regan Commission of Inquiry, at Minister Mthethwa's request. The meeting was called so as to enable Minister Mthethwa to advise me what his concerns are regarding the establishment of this Commission, having previously recently advised me in correspondence that, in his opinion, the Commission is both "premature and unnecessary".
- 2. At our meeting Minister Mthethwa and I had a frank and wideranging discussion pertaining to what we perceive to be the problems in how best to curb crime in the Western Cape. Minister Mthwtwha and General Phlyega made it clear to me that they regard the establishment of the Commission as an act

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- decision I ultimately take, and I will consider any comments you may wish to make in this regard.
- 8. I do however propose to revert to Minister Mthethwa as quickly as I can, so as to ensure that SAPS, the Commission Itself, your clients and I all know where we stand on this matter as soon as possible; and I accordingly ask that you please now let me have your comments with respect to the enclosed proposed plan of action by SAPS, relating both to proposed method of resolution of the complaints with respect to SAPS in Khayelitsha, and the potential suspension of the O'Regan Commission, by no later than close of business on Friday 19 October 2012.

Yours sincerely

PREMIER

(HELEN ZILLE)