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Media Advisory

STATE V ZUMA AND ANOTHER (THALES SOUTH AFRICA), 23 FEBRUARY 2021, PIETERMARITZBURG HIGH COURT

Members of the media are advised that the matter involving the Thales Group and former President Jacob Zuma will return to the Pietermaritzburg High Court on 23 February 2021.

To limit the spread of COVID-19, strict social distancing protocols will be observed in the media and public gallery. To ensure the safety of all court users, members of the media and the public are requested to follow all security procedures as will be communicated by court officials.

Please be advised that a very limited number of seats are allocated for accredited members of the media. Accreditation requests should be sent to Lusanda Ntuli at <u>LNtuli@judiciary.org.za</u> and cc <u>lusanda02@gmail.com</u>, no later than *Wednesday*, 17 *February 2021, 16h00*.

Requests for accreditation must include the individual's name, name of organisation/media house they are representing, ID number / Passport number, designation, and contact details. It should be noted that not all applications will be approved. Notification will be conducted via email.

Accreditation cards will be available and distributed to approved applicants on *Monday, 22 February 2021, between 13h00 and 15h00 at the Pietermaritzburg High Court*.

**Kindly make arrangements in writing should you be unable to collect accreditation during the allocated time.



Please be advised that pool video and photography arrangements are still in place.

POOL FEED ARRANGEMENTS: INSIDE THE COURTROOM

Pool video can be obtained from the SABC, please contact **Reneé Heine on 083 389 6444** / **031 362 5317 and at <u>heiner@sabc.co.za</u>.**

Members of the media are encouraged to follow proceedings remotely via the live broadcast which will be provided by the SABC.

As with the video feed, there will be a pool system for photographers. The South African National Editors Forum (SANEF) and the Foreign Correspondents Association (FCA) are kindly requested to co-ordinate and submit names of photographers who will form a pool for and provide pictures to the media.

PROCEDURES TO BE AWARE OF:

- 1. When entering the court, mandatory COVID-19 screening will be conducted. Please ensure that you have a face mask on at all times.
- 2. Your accreditation card and wristband will be your access to the courtroom. Access into the courtroom will not be granted without presenting both.

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