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MEDIA GUIDELINES – STATE V ZUMA HEARING 6 APRIL 2018 DURBAN HIGH COURT GUIDELINES FOR THE MEDIA

REGISTRATION AND ACCREDITATION

- Due to the high level of interest in the matter seating is very limited. We request that media organisations should be understanding in this regard.
- We request that media organisations identify one person per organisation to be provided seating.
- The media accreditation closing date will be 4 April 2018 at 14h00.
- Media accreditation will be conducted on 5 April 2018, at the Durban High Court.
- Only those who have submitted their names prior to the closing date, and given approval will be given accreditation identification at the venue.
- Please be advised that <u>ONLY</u> accredited persons will be allowed access into Court A.
- ID books and press cards are required.

ARRIVAL AND ACCESS

- Media is required to arrive an hour before the starting time for purposes of security access control, setting up and seating.
- There will be access control procedures in place, only accredited persons will be allowed access.
- Access cards should be carried at all times to allow for access to the main court.
- Please have your press cards on hand as they will be checked when entering the main court.

PROGRAMME

The formal court proceedings will begin promptly at 09h30.

PHOTOGRAPHS AND LIVE VIDEO INSIDE THE COURT

Pool feed will be provided by ENCA, for any queries please contact: Slindile Xaba, +27 (0)

82 777 0455, Slindile.Xaba@enca.com

- These will be the only video cameras permitted inside Court A.
- Pool photography feeds will be provided by a media representatives from the South African National Editors Forum (SANEF) and the Foreign Correspondents Association (FCA).
 SANEF and the FCA are requested to urgently send the names of their representatives to LNtuli@judiciary.org.za.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING DIRECTIVE FROM THE PRESIDING JUDGE:

- The cameras shall be set up by no later than 15 minutes before the commencement of proceedings and shall be removed by no later than half an hour after the adjournment of the proceedings;
- ii. The video cameras shall be stationary and erected on tripods;
- iii. The cameras shall be located discreetly to cause as little intrusion in the proceedings of the court as possible and at all times subject to the final discretion of the court;
- iv. There is an absolute bar on audio recordings or close-up photography of bench discussions;
- v. There is an absolute bar on audio recordings or close-up photography of communications between legal representatives or between clients and their legal representatives;
- vi. This directive may be revoked or amended by the court at any stage in its sole discretion.

GENERAL GUIDELINES APPLICABLE DURING THE HEARING:

- 1. All media personnel are to be seated by 09h15.
- 2. Movement is to be kept to an utmost minimum once proceedings have begun.
- 3. During proceedings no flash photography will be permitted.
- 4. The inability to adhere to these guidelines will lead to individuals being requested to leave the courtroom.
- 5. Only accredited media personnel will be allowed access.

For any further enquiries in relation to the above please contact:

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