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**PROCLAMATION NOTICE 239 OF 2025**

**by the  
PRESIDENT of the REPUBLIC of SOUTH AFRICA**

**SPECIAL INVESTIGATING UNITS AND SPECIAL TRIBUNALS ACT, 1996 (ACT NO. 74 OF 1996): REFERRAL OF MATTERS TO EXISTING SPECIAL INVESTIGATING UNIT: DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE**

WHEREAS allegations as contemplated in section 2(2) of the Special Investigating Units and Special Tribunals Act, 1996 (Act No. 74 of 1996) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), have been made in respect of the affairs of the Department of Defence (hereinafter referred to as "the Department");

AND WHEREAS the Department or the State suffered losses that may be recovered;

AND WHEREAS I deem it necessary that the said allegations should be investigated and civil proceedings emanating from such investigation should be adjudicated upon;

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby, under section 2(1) of the Act, refer the matters mentioned in the Schedule, in respect of the Department, for investigation to the Special Investigating Unit established by Proclamation No. R. 118 of 31 July 2001 and determine that, for the purposes of the investigation of the matters, the terms of reference of the Special Investigating Unit are to investigate as contemplated in the Act, any alleged—

- (a) serious maladministration in connection with the affairs of the Department;
- (b) improper or unlawful conduct by the employees or officials of the Department;
- (c) unlawful appropriation or expenditure of public money or property;
- (d) unlawful, irregular or unapproved acquisitive act, transaction, measure or practice having a bearing upon State property;
- (e) intentional or negligent loss of public money or damage to public property;
- (f) offence referred to in Parts 1 to 4, or section 17, 20 or 21 (in so far as it relates to the aforementioned offences) of Chapter 2 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, 2004 (Act No. 12 of 2004), and which offences were committed in connection with the affairs of Department; or

(g) unlawful or improper conduct by any person, which has caused or may cause serious harm to the interests of the public or any category thereof, which took place between 1 January 2013 and the date of publication of this Proclamation or which took place prior to 1 January 2013 or after the date of publication of this Proclamation, but is relevant to, connected with, incidental or ancillary to the matters mentioned in the Schedule or involve the same persons, entities or contracts investigated under authority of this Proclamation, and to exercise or perform all the functions and powers assigned to or conferred upon the said Special Investigating Unit by the Act, including the recovery of any losses suffered by the Department or the State, in relation to the said matters in the Schedule.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Republic of South Africa at Pretoria this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December Two thousand and twenty four.

**CM Ramaphosa**  
**President**

By Order of the President-in-Cabinet:

**T Simelane**  
**Minister of the Cabinet**

## SCHEDULE

1. The procurement of and contracting for—
  - (a) inventory verification and continuous asset verification in terms of Bid Number CPSC/B/PC/010/2016; and
  - (b) the supply, delivery, installation and commissioning of an asset management system in terms of Bid Number EDU/038/11/MP,by the Department, and payments made in respect thereof in a manner that was—
  - (i) not fair, equitable, transparent, competitive or cost-effective; or
  - (ii) contrary to applicable—
    - (aa) legislation;
    - (bb) manuals, guidelines, circulars, practice notes or instructions issued by the National Treasury or the relevant provincial treasury; or
    - (cc) manuals, policies, procedures, prescripts, instructions or practices of or applicable to the Department,and any related unauthorised, irregular or fruitless and wasteful expenditure incurred by the Department or the State.
  
2. Any improper or unlawful conduct by the officials or employees of the Department or the service provider in question, or any other person or entity, in relation to the allegations set out in paragraph 1 of this Schedule.

**PROKLAMASIE KENNISGEWING 239 VAN 2025**  
**van die**  
**PRESIDENT van die REPUBLIEK van SUID-AFRIKA**

**WET OP SPESIALE ONDERSOEKEENHEDE EN SPESIALE TRIBUNALE, 1996  
(WET NO. 74 VAN 1996): VERWYSING VAN AANGELEENTHEDE NA  
BESTAANDE SPESIALE ONDERSOEKEENHEID: DEPARTEMENT VAN  
VERDEDIGING**

AANGESIEN bewerings soos beoog in artikel 2(2) van die Wet op Spesiale Ondersoekeenhede en Spesiale Tribunale, 1996 (Wet No. 74 van 1996) (hierna na verwys as die "Wet"), gemaak is in verband met die aangeleenthede van die Departement van Verdediging (hierna na verwys as "die Departement");

EN AANGESIEN die Departement of die Staat verliese gely het wat verhaal kan word;

EN AANGESIEN ek dit nodig ag dat gemelde bewerings ondersoek en siviele geskille voortspruitend uit sodanige ondersoek bereg moet word;

NOU, DERHALWE verwys ek hierby, kragtens artikel 2(1) van die Wet, die aangeleenthede in die Bylae vermeld, ten opsigte van die Departement, vir ondersoek na die Spesiale Ondersoekeenheid ingestel by Proklamasie No. R. 118 van 31 Julie 2001 en bepaal dat, vir die doeleindes van die ondersoek van die aangeleenthede, die opdrag van die Spesiale Ondersoekeenheid is om soos beoog in gemelde Wet, ondersoek te doen na enige beweerde—

- (a) ernstige wanadministrasie in verband met die aangeleenthede van die Departement;
- (b) onbehoorlike of onregmatige optrede deur werknemers of beamptes van die Departement;
- (c) onregmatige bewilliging of besteding van publieke geld of eiendom;
- (d) onwettige, onreëlmatige of nie-goedgekeurde verkrygende handeling, transaksie, maatreël of praktyk wat op Staatseiendom betrekking het;
- (e) opsetlike of nalatige verlies van publieke geld of skade aan publieke eiendom;
- (f) misdryf bedoel in Dele 1 tot 4, of artikel 17, 20 of 21 (vir sover dit op voornoemde