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**AFFIDAVIT**  
**IN RELATION TO INFORMATION SECURITY BREACHES AT THE NATIONAL**  
**LOTTERIES COMMISSION**

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I, the undersigned,

**NOMPUMELELO NENE**

do hereby make oath and state that:

1. I am an adult female employed as the Company Secretary of the National Lotteries Commission ("the NLC").
2. The facts set out in this affidavit are within my personal knowledge unless I state otherwise or the context makes it clear that they are not. I confirm that those facts are, in my belief, both true and correct.
3. The purpose of this affidavit is to record the events which transpired relating to Information Security Breaches at the National Lotteries Commission.

**Background Facts**

4. On or about 10 December 2017, the Mirror, Limpopo edition of the Zoutpansberger published an article relating to the Vhembe Health and Fitness Centre. The article centred around allegations of corruption and maladministration levelled against the Vhembe Health and Fitness Centre funded by the National Lotteries Commission. The article had elements of information not available in the public domain, thereby raising concern on internal information security breaches. The allegations in the media were independently investigated, however, employees responsible for divulging classified information have yet to be identified.



5. On or about 28 January 2018, the Daily Dispatch published an article citing numerous allegations from the Limpopo Mirror article published on 10 December 2017 and new allegations relating to a former employee by the name of Muzikisi Makatse. Mzukisi was charged and summarily dismissed for the threat caused to the organisation.
6. On 16 November 2018, Mpumalanga Lowvelder published an article alleging misappropriation of NLC funds. The article contained classified information in terms of NLC policy, raising further concern of internal information security breaches. The prima facie evidence with regard to these allegations did not warrant an independent investigation, however highlighted the heightened information security risks within the NLC.
7. On or about 22 November 2018 Ground Up published an article citing numerous allegations on the Dhenzhe matter. The publication confirmed that their article was based on leaked information from the NLC, notwithstanding the NLC's application of PAIA provisions.
8. On or about January 2018 a whistle-blower approached the NLC alleging that an NLC employee, Mr S Qhina had provided her classified NLC information and persistently encouraging her to provide the information to GroundUp, a Cape Town publication which has consistently published information about NLDTF funded projects. The matter was independently investigated and disciplinary proceedings are underway.



9. The common factor in these articles are that leaked information relating to proactive funding projects.
10. On 1 December 2018, the NLC Chairperson made a written request to the Minister of State Security to assist the NLC identify the internal source(s) of information security breaches as well as NLC information believed to be cloned and maintained in a foreign country.
11. On or about 18 November 2018, the Daily Dispatch published an article citing allegations of misappropriation of funds. The NLC identified and suspended an employee Ms Zintle Rungqu in this regard, disciplinary proceedings are underway.
12. On or about 21 December 2019, classification of all pro-actively funding projects was heightened to "Secret" and projects removed from the Grant Funding system and maintained manually under the custody of the NLC's Deputy Information Office, Executive Manager: Legal in order to safeguard information.
13. The SSA investigation commenced on 27 December 2018 and is on-going

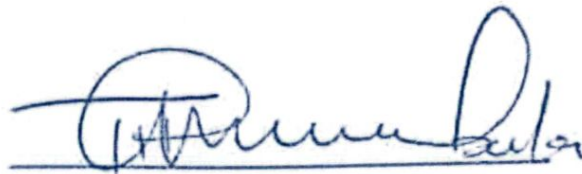
#### Submissions

14. The following documents are submitted for reference:
  - 14.1 Articles published in the media
  - 14.2 Grant Management System logs
  - 14.3 Email logs of persons identified through email logs and reports
  - 14.4 NLC related policies



  
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I hereby certify that the terms of Regulation 1258 published in Government Gazette No. 3619 of 21 July 1972 has been complied with and that the Deponent has acknowledged that he knows and understands the contents of the foregoing Affidavit, which was signed and sworn to before me at \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ day of APRIL 2019.



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