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To: secretary@trc-inquiry.org.za

Dear Mr Ratshikana,

I, Rayman Lalla, will seek legal representation to assist me in my written response to your notification of 30 October 2025, received on 31 October 2025, advising me that the Commission has identified that evidence presented before it may implicate me in respect of the matters under investigation.

This letter serves as an acknowledgement of the above notification.

Sincerely

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RAYMAN LALLA - REPRESENTATION TO THE TRC COMMISSION OF INQUIRY

I, the undersigned Rayman Lalla, do hereby make an oath and say:

1. I am an adult male and worked in the South African Police Services from 1995 to 2011.
2. I was the national head of Crime Intelligence (2001-2007) and the national head of Detective Services (2008-2011).
3. The facts deposed to in this affidavit are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, both true and correct. Unless otherwise stated or the contrary appears from the context, such facts are within my personal knowledge.
4. Refer Para 152:
 - a. In the absence of any documentation or minutes of meetings, to the best of my recollection there was a meeting initiated by the DoJ or NDPP (I do not recall which department chaired the meeting, or if more than one meeting was held).
 - b. I was the national head of Crime Intelligence in 2004. I attended the above meeting as requested by the SAPS Deputy Commissioner (Lt Gen Tim Williams). As the discussion at the meeting Of DoJ and NDPP proceeded, I questioned the relevance of my participation given the nature of the matters presented as they were about the legal approach to the rules and procedures envisaged. This is not my area of expertise.
 - c. I subsequently sought clarity from SAPS Deputy Commissioner Williams as to the purpose of my attending such a meeting/s given the legal procedural nature thereof.
 - d. Lt Gen Williams then requested both Lt General Johann de Beer (at that time head of Detective Services) and Dr Phillip Jacobs (SAPS Legal Services) to meet with us. Both Lt General De Beer and Dr Jacobs were knowledgeable about the workings of the DoJ and NDPP, including with reference to TRC matters.
 - e. Dr Jacobs' understanding was that the discussion at these meetings were matters for the DoJ/NDPP. He expressed the firm view that the DoJ needed to

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provide capacity to the NDPP to enable TRC matters to be investigated. Lt General De Beer concurred with Dr Jacobs, and further stated that SAPS did not have a single docket or inquiry of TRC related cases. These were all in the hands of the NDPP. Further, if the mandate was to be changed it would require steps to be taken by Parliament, the Executive and the DoJ.

- f. Given the above, I did not attend further meetings.
- g. I cannot recall being sent minutes of meetings or any document that contained recommendations by the DoJ to any other state bodies.

5. Para 308:

- a. In 2008 I was appointed the national head of Detective Services. In 2009 or thereabouts, I was approached by Adv McAdam for assistance with regard to TRC-related cases. I informed him that SAPS was currently restructuring and that a significant part of the specialised capacity would be transferred from Detective Services to the DPCI (Directorate of Priority Crime Investigations). I referred him to Lt Gen A Dramat, the newly appointed DPCI head, and subsequently I informed Lt General G Lebeya, deputy head of DPCI.
 - b. Adv McAdam also wanted investigators, preferably drawn from former policemen with the relevant investigative experience. I advised him that I had no authority over such processes. However, I reassured him that should he require investigators who were currently in the employ of Detective Services he could approach me for assistance in such instances.
 - c. I left the employment of SAPS in April 2011, and until this time I had no further queries from Adv McAdam.
6. At no stage during the whole of my SAPS career, spanning the period 1995 to 2011, did either the DoJ or NDPP bring any TRC docket or specific inquiry to my personal attention.
7. Furthermore, I offered, as stated in 5(b) above, to make available investigators who were then in the employ of Detective Services should this be requested. No such request was ever made.

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8. [Signature]
Deponent

04/11/2025
Date

KNYSNA
Place

I hereby certify that the Deponent has acknowledged that he knows and understands the contents of this affidavit, which was sworn to and signed at Knysna on this 04 of November 2025 in compliance with the regulations contained in Government Notice R1258 dated 21 July 1972 as amended.

[Signature]
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