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Dear Ms Phindile Baleni,

**RE: REQUEST FOR CABINET MINUTES, MEMORANDA, AND STATEMENTS  
FROM THE GINWALA COMMISSION OF INQUIRY**

1. The Judicial Commission of Inquiry appointed to inquire into allegations regarding efforts or attempts having been made to stop the investigation or prosecution of truth and reconciliation commission cases hereby formally requests access to the following records held by the Office of the Presidency:
  - 1.1. All Cabinet minutes and Cabinet memoranda relevant to matters falling within the mandate of the TRC; and more specifically, the minutes of the Cabinet meeting of 22 June 2005 at which the amendments to the Prosecutions Policy were approved and the Cabinet Memorandum referred to in the amended Prosecutions Policy, which records the Cabinet's decision in respect of the amendments to the Prosecutions Policy; and



- 1.2. All statements, submissions, and related documentation generated or received by the Ginwala Commission of Inquiry and subsequently handed over to yourselves.
2. These records are required to assist the Commission in the effective execution of its mandate and to ensure a comprehensive and accurate assessment of the matters under investigation.
3. Kindly note that, as the work of the Commission progresses, there may be additional requests for information and documentation. In order to facilitate efficient and coordinated engagement going forward, we would appreciate it if your office could designate a contact person with whom the Commission may liaise on an ongoing basis.
4. We would be grateful if you could advise on the process and anticipated timelines for the provision of the requested records. Should you require any clarification regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact our office.
5. We thank you in advance for your cooperation and look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely,

(not signed – sent electronically)

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