KOMMISSIE VAN ONDERSOEK INSAKE DIE VOORKOMING VAN OPENBARE GEWELD EN INTIMIDASIE COMMISSION OF INQUIRY REGARD-ING THE PREVENTION OF PUBLIC VIOLENCE AND INTIMIDATION

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Dear Mr Gordhan

Attached hereto a copy of a press release by Mr Justice R J Goldstone.

Yours sincerely

J F VAN EEDEN SECRETARY OF THE COMMISSION PRESS RELEASE BY MR JUSTICE R J GOLDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION OF ENQUIRY REGARDING THE PREVENTION OF PUBLIC VIOLENCE AND INTIMIDATION

- 1. On 26 March 1992, the representative of the South African Police (SAP) on the Wit-Vaal Regional Dispute Resolution Committee informed that Committee that information had been received by the SAP that on 25 March 1992 a meeting had been held by Umkhonto we Sizwe (MK) at which it had been decided, inter alia, that MK will attack IFP hostels in four areas in the Transvaal.
- 2. After enquiry by the ANC member on the Wit-Vaal Regional Dispute Resolution Committee, the ANC informed that Committee that no such decision had been taken by MK.
- 3. The matter was then referred to the Commission. It was informed by the SAP that the information had come from two informants who were present at the meeting of MK held on 25 March 1992. The informants felt in jeopardy of their lives and on no account would they be prepared to meet even *in camera* with the Commission or any of its members.
- 4. At the request of the Commission the SAP has furnished it with written statements from both informants without disclosing their names.

5. Having regard to the seriousness of the allegations the Commission has decided that it has no option but to put the allegations to the leaders of MK who are alleged to have been at the meeting in question. This will be done in public on Thursday, 23 April 1992 at 9 am at Synodal Centre, Visagie Street, Pretoria. The Commission has requested the ANC to arrange for a suitable representative of MK to attend the hearing of the Commission and to give evidence on oath concerning the allegations.