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Dear Deputy Chief Whip

REFERRAL OF MATTERS TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON REVIEW OF ASSEMBLY RULES FOR CONSIDERATION AND REPORT

There are several matters that have been received that require consideration by the Rules Committee.

Assembly Rule 158(2)(b) empowers me, as the Chairperson of the NARC, to take steps to initiate processes necessary for the Committee's work to proceed. In light of this, I refer, on behalf of the Committee, the following matters to the Subcommittee on Review of Assembly Rules for consideration and report. A brief summary is provided under each matter:

- **COMPOSITION OF CHIEF WHIPS' FORUM (RULE 257)**

Rule 257, which provides for the composition of the Forum states, *inter alia*, that the Chief Whips' Forum consists of the House Chairpersons, the Chief Whip and Deputy Chief Whip of the Majority Party; and the most senior whip of each of the other parties represented in the Assembly. A request was received from the Chief Whip of the Majority Party, requesting that the membership of the Forum be reconsidered.

- **COMPLAINT BY MS H O MKHALIPHI, MP ON THE RULING OF PRESIDING OFFICER MR Q R DYANTYI, MP**

A complaint was received from Ms H O Mkhalihi, MP regarding the ruling Mr Q R Dyantyi, MP made to eject her from the sitting of 29 July 2020. Ms Mkhalihi's request complies with Rule 92(12)(a).

I am aware that there are several other matters still before the Subcommittee, such as time allocated for declarations of vote, questions to the Deputy President and others that are important for the smooth functioning of the House. It is expected that in the New Year, a report will be received from your Subcommittee on all these matters.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'TR Modise', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ms T R Modise, MP
Speaker of the National Assembly