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CASAC Media Statement
Minister of Police update on Nkandla Upgrades
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“CASAC has noted the update to the media today on the Nkandla Upgrades by Ministers Nathi Nhleko and Thulas Nxesi. It will be recalled that the President was required by the Public Protector to determine, in conjunction with Treasury and the SAPS, the reasonable cost of non-security related measures at his residence at Nkandla, to repay a reasonable percentage thereof, and to report to Parliament. Minister Nhleko’s briefing has failed to address this issue. Neither he nor the President was asked to determine **whether** the President should pay but rather the **quantum** to be paid.

It is now clear that neither the executive nor Parliament has demonstrated the necessary capability and will to interact appropriately with the Public Protector’s Report on Nkandla, and to hold the President to account.

It is therefore inevitable that the courts will have to finally determine the status of (1) the Public Protector’s Report and its findings and remedial actions, (2) the various attempts by the executive and Parliament to evade its recommendations and findings, and (3) whether the President has violated the Executive Members’ Ethics Act.

Whilst this issue has dragged on for far too long already it is critical that a final determination be made in the interests of accountability and the rule of law.”

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