



COUNCIL
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Media Statement **Restoring the status of Parliament**

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CASAC welcomes the positive outcome of the meeting this morning between Deputy President Ramaphosa and the leaders of political parties in Parliament, following the disruption in the legislature last week.

In particular we welcome the commitment of all parties to work together to restore the integrity and dignity of Parliament so that it is able to fulfil its constitutional mandate to hold the executive to account.

We trust that the Presiding Officers in Parliament will also endorse the outcome of this morning's meeting. It is critical that all role-players work together to restore Parliament to its rightful place as the pulse of the nation.

The process of re-building trust between the parties will not be an easy one but a renewed commitment to our common constitutional vision provides the opportunity to strengthen this institution that lies at the heart of our democracy.

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