



**COUNCIL**  
FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE  
**SOUTH AFRICAN**  
**CONSTITUTION**

## **Media Statement**

**22 September 2016**

### **Public invited to comment on SAHRC Appointments**

The Council for the Advancement of the South African Constitution (CASAC) welcomes the timeframe agreed to by the Portfolio Committee on Justice and Correctional Services in filling the seven vacancies in the South African Human Rights Commission. It provides for a suitable opportunity for public participation in the process.

The Committee has received eighty nominations for the seven vacancies. Details of the nominees will be made available today and the public is invited to comment on the suitability of these candidates. The deadline for comments is Friday 30 September. CASAC intends to make a submission to the Committee on the nominees.

The Committee will then meet on 5 October to shortlist candidates for interviews. Public comments as well as a questionnaire to be completed by all candidates will be evaluated during this shortlisting process.

The Committee aims to shortlist between 15 and 21 candidates for interview and it was specifically agreed that these interviews would be conducted over two days, on 13 and 14 October.

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We are pleased that the Committee will engage with civil society and members of the public to ensure that the process is open and transparent, in much the same way that the process of appointing the Public Protector process was conducted.

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