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14th March 2017

Dear Honourable Deputy President Ramaphosa,

Thank you for your response on 1 March 2017 to our letter of 14 February 2017.

We welcome your willingness to engage with the issues we raised in our letter. In particular, we are glad for your assurance that “the Trust will provide necessary reports” to you as Chair “and ultimately to Plenary as may be required”. We look forward to seeing these reports – particularly in relation to the Board’s decision to approve a payment to a Board member and regarding the various conflicts of interests raised in our letter.

We also welcome your affirmation that the Board of Trustees will be “required to take proper remedial action should any of the allegations be found to be true”.

We also welcome your statement that you “expect the Department of Health to review all allegations of conflict of interest”. We look forward to seeing the outcome of such reviews – particularly in regards to the Civil Society Forum (CSF) Chairperson and the leader of the Higher Education Sector in SANAC – who, as pointed out in our earlier letter, are Co-Directors of a company called Media Cliq that has been contracted to do a pilot in KwaZulu-Natal. As per the CIPC website the CSF Chairperson is also a director of three further companies – Innovative Expo Solutions, Letsike and Thukwane Projects, and Kopanong Trading Enterprises – the last of which Ravinda Ahluwalia, the wife of the leader of the Higher Education Sector in SANAC, is also a Director of the company. We bring to your attention again that the leader of the Higher Education Sector is a government employee (even though this has been denied in a recent SANAC CSF meeting).

Regarding the appointment of the new CEO we note that your letter indicates that the Board assured you “that the process is proceeding according to SANAC’s internal procedures and in a transparent manner”. We reiterate that we believe the appointment process for the CEO position to have been un-procedural and potentially unlawful. Given our concern that the



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Board has not sufficiently addressed what we believe to be various serious concerns, we are now considering various options, including legal options. We also dispute the claim that the matter has been dealt with in a transparent manner. Full transparency would require that all Board minutes relating to the process – including the decision to stop and restart the process – should be made public.

It is also of some concern to us that we have not been made aware through the SANAC CSF or through any other official SANAC channels that two Board members have resigned from the Board during this current crisis. We would appreciate it if the reasons given for these two resignations could be shared with us.

Finally, we want to state on the record that it is completely unacceptable that all Board members have not yet signed declaration of interest forms. We are deeply concerned that people can become Board members without first signing declaration of interest forms. Moreover, the fact that this matter has dragged on for years raises serious questions regarding the Board's commitment to good governance.

Deputy President, the current crisis at SANAC threatens the future of our HIV and TB response. It is both undermining the public's trust in SANAC and the trust that international donors have in SANAC. From our side we are committed to doing all we can to ensure maximum transparency and good governance at SANAC – but the reality is that the struggle for transparency and good governance at SANAC is currently being lost. (As an aside, we wish to alert you to the toxic atmosphere pervading SANAC these days where some individuals act with apparent impunity claiming to have your personal support.)

We appreciate the initial commitments made in your letter and urge you to follow up on them as a matter of urgency. We also urge you to take the contents of this letter into account and to take further steps as required – given that you are the Chair of SANAC and ultimately responsible for its effective, transparent and lawful functioning.

Sincerely,

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