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Dear Mr Desai

RE: COMPLAINTS AGAINST THE CHIEF JUSTICE

- [1] I refer to the complaints by Africa4Palestine, SABDS Coalition and Women's Cultural Group against the Chief Justice.
- [2] I have been directed by Judge Mojapelo, a member of the Judicial Conduct Committee (JCC) designated in terms of section 17 of the Judicial Service Commission Act No 9 of 1994 (JSC Act), to advise you that pursuant to the steps he took in terms of section 17(3) of the JSC Act, he has decided, in terms of section 17(4)(b) of the JSC Act, that some of the complaints against the Chief Justice have been established.
- [3] Judge Mojapelo has found that the Chief Justice has, through his statements made at the Webinar on 23 June 2020 and utterances made at a prayer meeting, contravened Articles 12(1)(b), 12(2)(b), 14(1), 14(2)(a) and 14(3) (a) of the Code of Judicial Conduct. Pursuant to the findings, Judge Mojapelo has in terms of section 17(8) directed that the Chief Justice should issue an apology and a retraction as worded in paragraph 243 of the decision. A copy of the decision is enclosed herein with this



letter for your ease of reference.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sello Chiloane". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "S".

Sello Chiloane

Secretary, Judicial Conduct Committee