

PROCLAMATION*by the**President of the Republic of South Africa***No. 23, 2006****SPECIAL INVESTIGATING UNITS AND SPECIAL TRIBUNALS ACT, 1996 (ACT NO. 74 OF 1996): REFERRAL OF MATTERS TO EXISTING SPECIAL INVESTIGATING UNIT AND SPECIAL TRIBUNAL**

WHEREAS allegations as contemplated in section 2(2) of the Special Investigating Units and Special Tribunals Act, 1996 (Act No. 74 of 1996), have been made in respect of the affairs of the Lejeweleputswa District Municipality situated in the Free State Province (hereinafter referred to as the "Municipality")

AND WHEREAS the Municipality suffered losses that may be recovered;

AND WHEREAS I deem it necessary that the said allegations should be investigated and justiciable civil disputes emanating from such investigation should be adjudicated upon;

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby, under section 2(1) of the said Act, and at the request of the Premier of the Free State Province, refer the matters mentioned in the Schedule in respect of the Lejeweleputswa Bucket Eradication Sanitation Project for investigation to the Special

Investigating Unit established by Proclamation No. R. 118 of 31 July 2001 and determine that, for the purposes of the investigation of these matters, the terms of reference of the Special Investigating Unit are to investigate as contemplated in the said Act, any -

- (a) serious maladministration in connection with the affairs of the Municipality;
- (b) improper or unlawful conduct by officials of the Municipality;
- (c) unlawful appropriation or expenditure of public money or property;
- (d) unlawful, irregular or unapproved acquisitive act, transaction, measure or practice having a bearing upon State property;
- (e) intentional or negligent loss of public money or damage to public property;
- (f) offence referred to in Part 1 to 4, or section 17, 20 or 21 (in so far as it relates to the aforementioned offences) of Chapter 2 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, 2004, and which offences were committed in connection with the affairs of the Department; or
- (g) unlawful or improper conduct by any person which has caused or may cause serious harm to the interests of the public or any category thereof,

which have taken place between 1 January 2000 and the date of publication of this Proclamation, and to exercise or perform all the functions and powers assigned to or conferred upon the said Special Investigating Unit by the said Act, in relation to the said matters in the Schedule, with the purpose of recovering of any losses suffered by the Municipality.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Republic of South Africa at Pretoria this Fourth day of May Two thousand and six.

T. M. MBEKI

President

By Order of the President-in-Cabinet:

B. S. MABANDLA

Minister of the Cabinet

SCHEDULE

1. Failure by the Municipality to procure services in accordance with a system which is fair, equitable, transparent, competitive and cost-effective.
2. Losses suffered by the Municipality as a result of payment for services not rendered or not rendered in a professional manner and/or in accordance with a proper standard of workmanship.
3. Failure by officials of the Municipality to verify that services had been rendered or rendered in a professional manner and/or in accordance with a proper standard of workmanship, before payments for such services were made.