DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

GENERAL NOTICE 1943 OF 2023

PUBLICATION OF EXPLANATORY SUMMARY OF THE NATIONAL PROSECUTING AUTHORITY AMENDMENT BILL, 2023

1. Notice is hereby given in terms of Rule 276(1)(b) of the Rules of the National Assembly that the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services intends to introduce the National Prosecuting Authority Amendment Bill, 2023 (the Bill), in the National Assembly shortly.

2. The explanatory summary of the Bill is hereby published in accordance with Rule 276(1)(c) of the Rules of the National Assembly.

3.1 The Bill seeks to amend the National Prosecuting Authority Act, 1998, so as to insert certain definitions; to provide for the establishment of the Investigating Directorate against Corruption (IDAC) and its powers and functions; to provide for appointment of investigators in IDAC; to provide for the appointment of investigators, to provide for the security screening of investigators, to provide for the remuneration and conditions of service of investigators; provide for the establishment of a mechanism to deal with complaints of a serious nature pertaining to persons appointed at or assigned to an investigating directorate; to provide for powers and functions of investigators; to provide for transitional arrangements relating to the existing Investigating Directorate to become part of the IDAC; to amend RICA, 2002, so as to make provision for applications for directions in terms of RICA by the head of IDAC; and to provide for matters connected therewith.

4. A copy of the Bill can be found on the websites of the Parliamentary Monitoring Group at http://www.pmg.org.za and the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development at www.justice.gov.za and, after introduction, may also be obtained from the Government Printers: Cape Town (Telephone number: (021) 465-7531).