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**ELECTORAL COMMISSION****NOTICE 2280 OF 2024****ELECTORAL COMMISSION****DETERMINATION OF SEATS RESERVED FOR EACH REGION FOR ELECTIONS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

The Electoral Commission hereby calls on persons and interested parties to make representations and submissions on the determination of seats reserved for each region for the election of the National Assembly -

- (a) Schedule 1A to the Electoral Act, Act 73 of 1998; (as amended by the Electoral Amendment Act, 1 of 2023) ("the Electoral Act") provides that the Commission must determine a fixed number of seats reserved for each region for every election of the National Assembly.
- (b) The determination of the number of seats must be made by taking into account available scientifically based data in respect of voters and representation by interested parties.
- (c) The scientifically based data in respect of voters is the voters' roll as at 22 January 2024.
- (d) The determination by the Commission is in relation of half of the seats (200) in the National Assembly in terms of Item 1(a) to schedule 1A of the Electoral Act. The Commission makes the determination using the formula and the Drop Quota as follows:  
$$\frac{A}{B+1} + 1$$

A represents the number of registered voters (26 960 484) as at 22 January 2024

B represents the total number of regional seats in the National Assembly (200)

The result of this calculation, disregarding fractions, represents the quota of registered voters per regional seat.

The calculation of seats in the regions will be based on the total number of registered voters in the region divided by the quota.

- (e) The table below describes the current allocation of seats and the indicative seats to be determined based on current voter registration data.

Name of Province	Current Number of Seats	Current Registered Voters*	Indicative allocation
Eastern Cape	25	3 352 877	25
Free State	11	1 425 749	10
Gauteng	48	6 321 422	47
KwaZulu-Natal	41	5 589 622	41
Limpopo	19	2 725 507	19
Mpumalanga	15	1 971 141	15
North West	13	1 722 718	13
Northern Cape	5	636 141	05
Western Cape	23	3 215 307	23
<b>Total</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>26 960 484</b>	<b>200</b>

- (f) Interested Parties are invited to make representations to be considered by the Commission before it determines the number of seats. At the point of making the determination, the Commission will update the indicative seats to reflect the voters' roll data following the registration weekend still to be held in February 2024.
- (g) Representations by persons and interested parties must be submitted by **19 February 2024**, to the Electoral Commission for the attention of **Mr. Stuart Murphy**, at the following e-mail address:- [regionalseats@elections.org.za](mailto:regionalseats@elections.org.za) or delivered to Election House, Riverside Office Park, 1303 Heuwel Avenue, Centurion, 0157.