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ANNOUNCEMENTS

National Assembly

The Speaker

1. Referral to Committees of papers tabled

- (1) The following paper is referred to the **Joint Standing Committee on Defence** for consideration:
 - (a) Letter from the President of the Republic, dated 11 March 2026, to the Speaker of the National Assembly, informing members of the Assembly of the employment of Members of the South African National Defence Force (SANDF) for service in cooperation with the South African Police Service (SAPS) to prevent and combat crime and maintain and preserve law and order within the Republic of South Africa under Operation PROSPER illegal mining and gangsterism.

2. Introduction of Bills

- (1) **The Minister of Finance**
 - (a) **Special Pensions Amendment Bill** [B8–2026] (National Assembly – proposed sec 75) [Explanatory summary of Bill and prior notice of its introduction published in *Government Gazette* No. 54292 of 9 March 2026.]

Introduction and referral to the **Standing Committee on Finance** of the National Assembly, as well as referral to the Joint Tagging Mechanism (JTM) for classification in terms of Joint Rule 202.

In terms of Joint Rule 196 written views on the classification of the Bill may be submitted to the JTM. The Bill may only be classified after the expiry of at least seven parliamentary working days since introduction.

TABLINGS

National Assembly and National Council of Provinces

1. The Speaker and the Chairperson

- (a) Monthly Financial Statements of Parliament – February 2026, tabled in terms of section 54(1) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act No. 10 of 2009).

National Council of Provinces

1. The Chairperson

- (a) Letter from the President of the Republic of South Africa, dated 11 March 2026, to the Chairperson of the National Council of Provinces, informing the members of the Council of the extension of the employment of 2200 members of the South African National Defence Force (SANDF) for service in cooperation with the South African Police Service (SAPS) for prevention and combating of crime and maintenance and preservation of law and order in the Republic of South Africa under Operation PROSPER illegal mining and gangsterism.



11 March 2026

Dear Chairperson,

EMPLOYMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL DEFENCE FORCE FOR SERVICE IN COOPERATION WITH THE SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE SERVICE

This serves to inform the Chairperson of the National Council of Provinces that I have employed two thousand two hundred (2 200) members of the South African National Defence Force (SANDF) for service in cooperation with the South African Police Service (SAPS) to prevent and combat crime and maintain and preserve law and order in the Republic of South Africa under Operation PROSPER illegal mining and gangsterism.

Members of the SANDF employed will be assisting the SAPS to prevent and combat Illegal mining and gangsterism in Eastern Cape, Free State, Gauteng, North West and Western Cape Provinces.

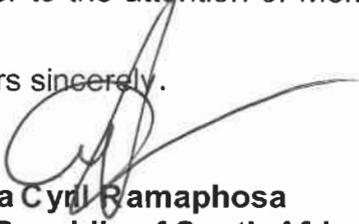
The employment is for the period 01 March 2026 until 31 March 2027.

This employment is authorised in accordance with the provisions of section 201(2) (a) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996.

The expenditure expected to be incurred for this employment amounts to R 823 153 960.00.

I will communicate this report to the Speaker of the National Assembly. I kindly request that you bring the contents of this letter to the attention of Members of the National Council of Provinces.

Yours sincerely,


Mr Matamela Cyril Ramaphosa
President of the Republic of South Africa

Ms Refilwe Mtsweni-Tsipane, MP
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Referred to the **Joint Standing Committee on Defence** for consideration.

- (b) Letter from the President of the Republic of South Africa, dated 13 February 2026, to the Chairperson of the National Council of Provinces, informing the members of the Council of the extension of the employment of 450 members of the South African National Defence Force (SANDF) for a six-month period for the purpose of a complete withdrawal from United Nations Organisation Stabilisation Mission in the Democratic Republic of Congo (MONUSCO).



13 February 2026

Dear Chairperson,

EXTENSION OF EMPLOYMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL DEFENCE FORCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF A COMPLETE WITHDRAWAL FROM THE UNITED NATIONS ORGANISATION STABILISATION MISSION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO (MONUSCO) .

This serves to inform the National Assembly that I have extended, for a period of six months, the employment of four hundred and fifty (450) members of the South African National Defence Force (SANDF) for the purpose of completing withdrawal from the United Nations Organisation Stabilisation Mission in the Democratic Republic of Congo (MONUSCO).

The Government of the Republic of South Africa has taken decision to withdraw our participation from MONUSCO mission in agreement with the United Nations. However, the phased withdrawal of SANDF Forces Structure Elements will be conducted over the next period of six months.

The extension is required to properly manage the withdrawal of the members of the SANDF. The extension of the employment is for the period 01 February 2026 until 31 July 2026.

This employment is authorised in accordance with the provisions of section 201(2) (c) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996 read with section 93 of the Defence Act, 2002 (Act No 42 of 2002).

The expenditure expected to be incurred for this employment amounts to R 883 124 104.

I will communicate this report to the Speaker of the National Assembly I kindly request that you bring the contents of this letter to the attention of Members of the National Council of Provinces.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Matamela Cyril Ramaphosa
President of the Republic of South Africa

Ms Refilwe Mtsweni-Tsipane, MP
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