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OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

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10 SEPTEMBER 2021
(Virtual)

PROGRAMME

**Launch of The Commonwealth Parliamentary Association
(CPA) National Branch
And Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians
(CWP) Chapter**





Programme Facilitator:

**Hon SL Tsenoli, MP, Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly
(Convenor of CPA delegation)**

Time	Item	Presenter
10:00 - 10:15	Opening remarks Overview and Objectives – Strategic significance of the Launch	Hon A Masondo, Chairperson of the National Council of Provinces & Leader of South African CPA Delegation
10:15 - 10:25	Historical perspective of CPA and CWP	Message from Adv L Maseko: Former Chairperson of CPA Africa Region
10:25 - 10:35	Reflections on the role of South Africa in the CPA and the CWP	Message from Hon AT Didiza, MP Minister of Agriculture and Land Reform; Former Chairperson of Africa Region CWP
10:35 - 10:50	The role of South Africa in Multilateralism with specific emphasis on Commonwealth Structures at Parliament and Executive level	Hon Dr GNM Pandor, MP Minister of International Relations and Cooperation
10:50 - 11:00	Progress made with respect to the Transformation of the CPA and the ongoing contradictions	Rt. Hon J Muturi, EGH, MP Speaker of the National Assembly of the Parliament of the Republic of Kenya & Chairperson of CPA Africa Region
11:00 - 11:15	Procedural Announcements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The endorsement of the draft National Branch Constitution 	Branch Secretary Adv ME Phindela, Secretary to the National Council of Provinces
11:15 - 11:20	Launch of CPA Branch & CWP Chapter	Hon A Masondo, Chairperson of the National Council of Provinces/Hon SL Tsenoli, MP, Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly (Convenor of CPA delegation)
11:20 - 11:30	Closing remarks	Hon S Lucas, MP Deputy Chairperson of the National Council of Provinces



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Parliament of RSA is an affiliate of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) and participates in its activities at regional and international levels. The CPA's objective is to promote knowledge and understating of the constitutional, legislative, economic, social and cultural systems within a parliamentary democratic framework.

The objectives of the Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians (CWP) are to advance the representation of women in

Parliaments throughout the Commonwealth, ensure matters of specific concern to women are put on the CPA agenda and conveyed to individual Parliaments and brought to the attention of the CPA Executive Committee.

The constitution of the CPA requires all legislatures to establish branches and CWP Chapters to enable parliamentarians to operationalize the activities of the Association in a quest to advance democracy and promote gender equity in the work of the CPA.



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