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Khanyisile Kweyama Chairperson of the Interim Board South African Broadcasting Corporation Auckland Park

Dear Ms Kweyama

RE: Hlaudi Motsoeneng payouts following termination of his employment

The Organisation Undoing Tax Abuse (OUTA) is a proudly South African non-profit civil action organisation, comprising of and supported by people who are passionate about improving the prosperity of our nation. OUTA was established to challenge the abuse of authority, particularly with regards to taxpayers' money.

OUTA is concerned that former SABC COO Hlaudi Motsoeneng will, now that he has been dismissed, attempt to claim millions in pension and other benefits. We note media <u>reports</u> indicating that President Jacob Zuma is delaying the approval of the Special Investigating Unit investigation into the SABC, which may result in Motsoeneng receiving more undeserved pay-outs.

Motsoeneng does not deserve one cent more.

OUTA believes that Motsoeneng caused substantial financial and reputational damage to the SABC and we support attempts to claim back illegitimate payments made to him. We believe those claims should include – but are not limited to – the salary paid while he was on suspension (as he broke the terms of his suspension by returning to SABC during that time) and the illegitimate R11 million bonus he secured during the dubious MultiChoice deal.

Any pension or other benefits due to Motsoeneng should be forfeited to the SABC to compensate for his looting.

We believe there is already enough justifiable cause to block any pay-outs to Motsoeneng, since his employment appointment was irregular, was based on falsified information which he provided, there is already credible information available about the illegitimate deals from which he benefitted and we understand that the interim Board's own investigations are continuing.

OUTA laid criminal charges against Motsoeneng in December 2016 (SAPS case number CAS 259/12/2016), which further bolsters the case for blocking any payments to him. These charges included fraud, misrepresentation and racketeering.

The Western Cape High Court declared that Motsoeneng may not hold any position at the SABC until the adverse findings against him in the Public Protector's report were reviewed and set aside, or he was exonerated from those findings through a legitimate disciplinary hearing. However Motsoeneng still received payments after this judgment.



We thus urge the interim Board to move to block any pay-outs whatsoever to Motsoeneng while legal claims are formulated and to bring such claims as fast as possible, to prevent further losses.

We wish you the best of luck in your efforts to renew the SABC.

Kind Regards

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