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**NLC Board Commitment to Clean Governance** 

The Board of the National Lotteries Commission (NLC) wishes to once again reiterate its commitment to clean governance as it provides strategic direction to and accountability over the running of the NLC, in line with the King IV Report on Corporate Governance.

Members of the Board are professionals from diverse backgrounds, who are aligned to the values of the NLC, and dedicate time to steering the organisation toward maximum positive impact for the hundreds of thousands of South Africans whose lives are impacted by our regulatory and funding activities.

In recent years, the NLC has been the subject of serious allegations of maladministration and conflict of interest relating to the grant making process.

These issues are treated with seriousness, and the Board has instituted several investigations to establish the veracity and truthfulness of the allegations. Where allegations have been made against officials of the NLC, internal organisational processes are immediately instituted to determine if there has been any wrongdoing.

As an additional measure, an independent investigation was commissioned early in 2020, with audit firm SkX appointed to oversee the task. The process is anticipated to conclude soon, and the outcomes will be communicated publicly.

We continue to urge those who detect suspicious activities to report such to the NLC's anti-fraud hotline 0800 212 129, where callers may remain anonymous or e-mail: <a href="mailto:investigations@nlcsa.org.za">investigations@nlcsa.org.za</a>.

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