

MEDIA RELEASE	PSA calls for suspension of Public Service Commission's Director-General amidst allegations of fraud and corruption
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The Public Servants Association (PSA), which represents the majority of employees at the Public Service Commission (PSC), is dismayed about the serious allegations of fraud and corruption levelled against the Commission's Director-General, Dr Dovhani Mamphiswana.

It is alleged that Dr Mamphiswana participated in the irregular appointment of a candidate into the position of Chief Director: Ethics Management on 6 September 2019. It is also alleged that he has a child with the said candidate. Dr Mamphiswana, however, failed to disclose such critical information during the recruitment process. In addition, the candidate is alleged to have not met the requirements of the position.

The PSC, as a Chapter 10 institution, has the obligation to promote measures that ensure effective and efficient performance in the Public Service. It is further tasked with promoting values and principles of public administration as set out in the Constitution of the Republic. In addition, public servants are continuously encouraged to report maladministration and corruption through the National Anti-Corruption Hotline, which is managed by the PSC.

The integrity of the PSC and the entire Public Service is severely dented by the serious allegations against the PSC Director-General. The PSA thus calls for the immediate suspension of the Director-General upon completion of a full investigation into the allegations. The PSA further urges the President and the Minister of Public Service and Administration to implement urgent and stringent consequence management in line with government's pledge to root out corruption and bring perpetrators to book.

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