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PSA institutes contempt proceedings against IPID

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The Public Servants Association (PSA), as the majority Union in the Independent Police Investigative Directorate (IPID), is appalled by the sheer arrogance and total disregard for the rule of law by IPID. A Labour Court Judgement of 2018 ruled that employees are entitled to Section 23 benefits, this included Senior Managers and those that died or left IPID. Despite repeated attempts to get IPID to comply they simply refused. The PSA then filed for contempt proceedings in August 2020.

The Labour Court issued an interim order on 4 February 2021, ordering the Executive Director to appear before the Court on 7 May 2021, to show cause as to why the interim order should not be made a final order. It appears that the Executive Director has now begun to address the concerns of PSA. IPID issued a directive to all staff on 17 February 2021 on how it will ensure total compliance with the 2018 Judgement.

The PSA is calling on all employees who exited IPID after 2012 and family members of employees who passed on to contact the PSA urgently for assistance regarding this matter. The order dated 4 February 2021 is a second court victory for the PSA regarding this matter. The PSA will not rest and will continue to exert pressure on IPID to ensure full compliance with the 2018 Judgement.

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