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Justice Dikgang Moseneke
Independent Electoral Commission (IEC)

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Dear Justice Moseneke

REPORT ON ENSURING FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS DURING COVID

Your letter addressed to the Chairperson of Universities SA (USAf), Professor Sibongile Muthwa, dated 1 June 2021, refers.

On behalf of the Chairperson, I am pleased to submit 2 (two) commentary documents received from two eminent professors for your consideration. I am expecting to receive a third submission which will be made available once received.

The professors who are responsible for the development of these documents indicated their availability to participate in any further consultations if needed. And there are other researchers who are willing to be involved in further deliberations if that is necessary.

In addition, we are also seeking advice from the epidemiologists, and these comments will be forwarded to you in due course.

Thank you for inviting USAf to be part of this important initiative, and we wish you well with the task at hand.

Yours sincerely,

**PROFESSOR AHMED BAWA
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**