



**Our reference: BONGANI KHOZA**

**Your reference:**

**Date: 27 JULY 2023**

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Dear Sir,

**RE: INVESTIGATION INTO THE SUNDAY WORLD**

1. We refer to the above matter as well as to the list of questions sent to our clients.

2. We have been consulted by and represent Fundudzi Media, the owners of the Sunday World publication, as well as Mr. David Mabilu.
3. From the outset, our clients deny that they have been involved in any form of impropriety involving the National Lotteries Commission, as insinuated in your text message to our clients. The contents of your text message, regrettably, insinuates that there is impropriety or underhanded business practices on the part of our clients in relation to the business affairs of the National Lotteries Commission. The position that you hold is quite distasteful as you do not have the belief that our clients have the ability to attract clients in the normal course of business.
4. The justification as to why the National Lotteries Commission decided to spend the amounts it did with Sunday World over the years must be directed to National Lotteries Commission. As you have stated in your own questions, Sunday World has not given rates that are not market related or that are irregular. Since this is the case, we state categorically that Sunday World has attained all its advertisement, not only from the National Lotteries Commission, but all other advertisers and or entities, based on its competence.
5. Further, we are unequivocal that all of our client's stories meet the highest journalistic independence and integrity.
6. We hope this clarifies your questions.
7. Our clients hereby demand that you refrain from publishing any of the unfounded allegations that form a part your questions as they are malicious

and defamatory. A mere reader of the article that you intend to publish will formulate a negative view about our clients, thus injuring their good names and reputation. Our clients thus demand that you to refrain from publishing any of the false information that is contained in your text message. Our clients reserve their right to litigate against you for damages should you proceed to publish the defamatory article.

Yours faithfully

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**KHOZA GEFFEN INC**

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