

## PUBLIC APOLOGY AND RETRACTION

## **Issued by** the Association for the Monitoring and Advocacy of Government Pensions. (AMAGP)

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- 1. On 28 October 2021, Sekunjalo Investment Holdings Proprietary Limited, Independent Media Consortium Proprietary Limited, Ayo Technology Solutions Limited, Sagarmatha Technologies Limited, Independent Media Proprietary Limited, African News Agency Proprietary Limited and Dr. Mohammed Iqbal Survé, through their attorneys, addressed a letter of demand to the Association for Monitoring and Advocacy of Government Pensions The "Association").
- 2. Upon perusal of said letter, and after discussion with legal representatives, the Association is of the view that certain allegations contained in some media releases, statements and newsletters published by the Association may be considered offensive.
- 3. The Association elected to remove the media releases, statements or newsletters, which may possibly be considered as offensive, from its website and all other social media platforms where same are to be found.
- 4. In addition, the association hereby unconditionally retracts these statements and tenders its unreserved apology for any unintended harm which may have been caused by said publications.
- 5. The Association furthermore undertake to refrain from publishing or disseminating any similar allegations in future without appending proper proof in support of such allegations.
- 6. In particular, the Association retracts the statements that:
  - 6.1. Dr. Survé has and is squandering pension money belonging to the members of the Government Employees Pension Fund;
  - 6.2. Dr. Survé is the Association's "main delinquent";
  - 6.3. Dr. Survé has embarked on a "racial hatred campaign"; and
  - 6.4. Most of Dr. Survé's pre-listing statements "carried elements of false information".
  - 6.5. The Association expresses its regret, should these allegations have caused any unintended harm."