

# Media Statement



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**TO: ALL MEDIA**

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**RE: ASSETS TO THE VALUE OF 4 MILLION RANDS FORFEITED TO THE STATE**

On 25 May 2015, Judge Smith of the Grahamstown High Court granted the NPA's Asset Forfeiture Unit in Eat London a preservation order to freeze property of Zukiswa Maziyana and her husband, Zola Maziyana, to the value of R4 million. The property included a house, two cars, luxury furniture items, the value of renovations and improvements in an immovable property, as well as the credit balances in different bank accounts of the couple.

The order stems from the complaint by the Twelve Apostle Church, that during the period of 2004 to 2009, Zola fraudulently appropriated R6.8 million from the Church.

The couple petitioned the Supreme Court of Appeal on 11 March 2016 to be granted leave to appeal against the forfeiture of their property granted against them in the Grahamstown High Court on 3 November 2015, by Judge Plasket. The Supreme Court of Appeal dismissed their application with costs on 25 April 2016 because there were no reasonable prospects of success in the appeal and there was no other compelling reason why an appeal should be heard.

Kind Regards,

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