



Date: 28 July 2021

To: Africa News Agency

Dear Sir/Madam

**Re: Request for Information**

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The above matter refers.

As you may already be aware, amendments were made to the Financial Intelligence Centre Act (FICA), 38 of 2001. The amendments to the legislation created and imposed additional obligations on Nedbank Limited. Furthermore, FICA now requires all financial institutions to obtain additional information from clients and to keep client information current and accurate by maintaining relevant client details from time to time as required in terms of section 21C of FICA.

For the review, we would appreciate your written consideration on the following issues pertaining to Africa News Agency:

- a. Please provide us with an overview of the business, covering the following:
  - i. Organisational structure of the entity together with a high-level overview of that nature and intended purpose of the business and its operations.
  - ii. Who are the current directors and to what extent are they involved in the day to day operations of the entity?
  - iii. Who are the current shareholders of the entity? Has the entity gone through a change in shareholders over the past 24 months? If yes, can you provide us with the reason/s for the change in shareholders.
- b. Please can you provide us with the Financials for the business for the last 2 years.
- c. R25 Million was paid by Africa News Agency to Dr Surve's personal account as a payment towards his divorce settlement. Why did Africa News Agency fund this settlement?

Thank you for your time.

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**From:** Aziza Amod <Aziza@Sekunjalo.com>  
**Sent:** 02 August 2021 03:42 PM  
**To:** Herandien, R. (Ricardo)  
**Subject:** RE: Letter to Africa News Agency

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Dear Ricardo

I have forwarded your email to the Chairman of ANA, Mr Ramdene. He will be sending you the ANA formal response.

I had also sent a copy of the letter to Dr Surve for his information..

Dr Surve was concerned that some of the requested information in the letter is private and confidential.

He indicated that he would send you an email separately about this confidential information.

He has further requested the following:

For you and Samantha to kindly copy to his email [surve@sekunjalo.com](mailto:surve@sekunjalo.com) on all emails to myself going forward?

As you are aware I have served as the point of contact and coordination and refer all the emails to the relevant executive to draft a response, which I forward on to you.

All of the above would be appreciated.

Kind regards

**Aziza Amod**

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**From:** Herandien, R. (Ricardo) <RicardoH@Nedbank.co.za>  
**Sent:** Thursday, 29 July 2021 2:55 PM  
**To:** Aziza Amod <Aziza@Sekunjalo.com>; shaiks@netactive.co.za  
**Subject:** Letter to Africa News Agency

Dear Aziza

Please find letter attached for African News Agency.

Th Bank is requiring the information by tomorrow please.

Regards



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**Ricardo Herandien**

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**Subject:** FW: confidentiality of information

**From:** Surve <surve@Sekunjalo.com>  
**Sent:** 02 August 2021 16:31  
**To:** Herandien, R. (Ricardo) <RicardoH@Nedbank.co.za>  
**Cc:** Aziza Amod <Aziza@Sekunjalo.com>; shaiks@netactive.co.za  
**Subject:** confidentiality of information

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Dear  
Ricardo

I trust that you are well. Aziza has forwarded to me the attached letter, which was addressed to Ana. The Ana chairman will deal with the requested information except for point "c". On inquiry from Aziza, she mentioned that Nedbank had previously queried a transfer from Ana to my personal account. Her email response was that it was part of a "settlement agreement spouse." This response was incorrectly stated, and I have asked Aziza to copy me going forward on the responses to Nedbank. The transfer was in lieu of an intercompany loan between Ana and Sekunjalo Investment Holdings, the holding company for Ana. For the record Aziza indicated at no stage did she mention a divorce settlement as mentioned in point "c" per the attached letter. Aziza has in response to questions from Nedbank, been collating answers and understood this was part of a Nedbank "enhanced due diligence for FICA purposes, thus provided Nedbank with answers on the basis it was for FICA purposes only. All information and agreements as it relate [REDACTED] spouse is governed by the strictest of confidentiality. I therefore ask that you confirm in writing that under no circumstances will information relating [REDACTED] spouse be disclosed to any other party and Nedbank will only use it for internal Fica purposes. If you should wish to disclose this information to any other party, you would have to get my explicit permission. As far as the confidentiality of our information and agreements are concerned, please note that all our rights are reserved. For the record Ana did not pay any amount to me for any divorce settlement. At the time of the transfer, Sekunjalo Group had a central treasury function for 85 group companies, which is not unusual in large corporates. The Ana transfer was part of an intergroup transfer and is reflected in the loan balances between these Sekunjalo group companies and Ana. The settlement between myself Sekunjalo group is reflected in the company accounts and agreements. Today the situation is different ,since the financial managers now make payments directly and no longer through central treasury. I trust that you will amend your records to reflect the above information.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Kind Regards

**Dr. M. Iqbal Survé**

