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REN-FORM SETS THE RECORD STRAIGHT

Ren-Form CC wish to react to unsubstantiated media reports which have the potential of tarnishing its image both locally and internationally. The media reports create the impression that Ren-Form supplied defective and/or substandard goods relating to the contract it entered into with the South African Independent Electoral Commission (IEC) following a successful bid in 2021.

Ren-Form disputes any baseless suggestions that the difficulties experienced at the polling stations during the 2024 national elections was as a result of the hardware that Ren-Form supplied.

Ren-Form's contract was for the supply of hardware only which comprises a rugged tablet in a carry case. The devices were not supplied with any pre-loaded software or applications. Ren-Form has no knowledge of how the device software was developed and/or integrated onto the Voter Management Devices (VMD's) as it falls outside of the scope of the services it rendered in terms of the contract.

Ren-Form categorically states that the IEC, based on a comprehensive due diligence conducted with the IEC's auditors, selected it as the best evaluated bidder, both from a costing and technical compliance perspective (amongst other criteria), to supply voting devices. This was further backed up by a Service Level Agreement (SLA).



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Despite receiving information from the IEC which confirms the transparent manner in which the contract was concluded and executed, including the terms of the SLA, and a rebuttal to unsubstantiated allegations that there may have been foul play, The news outlets, unfortunately, have published these negative insinuations.

In response to questions from The Daily Maverick, The IEC's Kate Bapela has categorically stated that the Commission had the following checks and balances in place during the RFQ process:

1. External auditors, who audited the primary compliance verification before the actual bid evaluation process commenced.
2. External Quality Assurance auditors, who audited the step-by-step processes of the bid evaluation.
3. External auditors as required by the PFMA on the following:
 - 3.1. The award of the bid in compliance with the relevant bid regulations;
 - 3.2. contract management; and
 - 3.3. ICT audit.

Ren-Form wish to raise concerns about these unfounded, deceptive, and defamatory insinuations in the media, as the repercussions of same have the potential to cause irreparable harm not only to the company's good name but the longevity of the company's success. These ill-founded media reports are injurious towards the company and its employees.



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Ren-Form started out as a small enterprise supplying computer forms in 1989 and has transformed into an internationally renowned digital communication and printing company over the past 35 years under the capable and skilled guidance of Tommy du Sart. Ren-Form currently employs in excess of 200 employees and the company comprises a culture rich in diversity and family-like working relationships. Ren-Form is proud of its history and growth and values each and every person and/or organisation that has contributed to this.

Ren-Form takes this opportunity to emphasise the extent of damage that can potentially be inflicted by irresponsible and inaccurate media publications not only on its reputation but on the strong-rooted relationships it has developed with employees, clients, suppliers, stakeholders and the like which have been built over many years of commitment and successful collaborations.

Ren-Form concludes by stating that it takes great pride in its history of conducting its business morally, ethically and with great integrity, which is evidenced not only by its many years of growth and success, but also by its accreditations and member affiliations that holds it in great esteem.

Ren-Form will continue to conduct its business responsibly and with the goal to positively contribute to the local economy, digital and print industry as a whole.

Tommy du Sart
Chief Executive Officer