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**Joint statement by the ICC and CSA**

An independent Adjudicator, appointed by the ICC to look into the content and distribution of media comments made about the ICC Board by Mr David Becker, who at that time was acting as a legal consultant to Cricket South Africa in respect of their ongoing dispute over the FTP Schedule, and the subsequent attempts to have them withdrawn, and, in particular, the role of Mr Haroon Lorgat, Chief Executive of CSA, in these matters has found no evidence to support the allegations made against Mr Lorgat.

The Terms of Reference of the Inquiry provided that the allegations the Adjudicator was to inquire into were whether:

- i. Mr Lorgat knew about the David Becker media statement and its contents prior to or at the time of its initial distribution;
- ii. Mr Lorgat was involved in the preparation of the David Becker media statement;
- iii. Mr Lorgat attempted to persuade a number of different journalists on separate occasions to delay and/or withdraw the story/David Becker media statement by offering to do something for them in return, allegedly bribing and eventually threatening the journalists.

The Adjudicator has ruled that any restrictions on Mr Lorgat's ability to perform his role as CEO of CSA should be immediately

removed. This includes, but is not limited to:

- a) restrictions on Mr Lorgat's ability to represent CSA at the ICC's Chief Executives' Committee; and
- b) restrictions on Mr Lorgat's communications with or involvement in matters related to the BCCI.

As a consequence of the Adjudicator's Report, Mr Lorgat's role as Chief Executive of CSA is fully restored.

A copy of the Adjudicator's Summary of Conclusions and Recommendations is attached to this media release.

Commenting on the Adjudicator's decision, ICC President Alan Isaac said: "The ICC notes and accepts the decision of the independent Adjudicator. We are pleased that the matter has been resolved and that all parties can now move on in a spirit of mutual cooperation, working together constructively for the good of cricket."

CSA President Chris Nenzani said: "We are satisfied that this matter has been properly investigated and resolved. As a consequence of the Adjudicator's findings, CSA has no hesitation in immediately lifting the previous restrictions placed on Mr Lorgat in his role as Chief Executive of CSA."

**The investigation was carried out in private and the Report issued by the Adjudicator is confidential.**

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