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MARIKANA COMMISSION GRANTS A POSTPONEMENT TO RESOLVE FUNDING ISSUE

Today, Mr Dali Mpfu, the Advocate representing the injured and arrested miners, asked the Commission to temporarily adjourn the Commission's sittings until after the Constitutional Court had given judgement on the appeal his clients had noted against the High Court judgement refusing them an order that they be granted state funding for legal representation before the Commission. He estimated that the Constitutional Court's judgement would be delivered by 19 August 2013.

Mr George Bizos, SC, who appeared for the Legal Resources Centre, said that there was a possibility that an interim funding could be obtained from a donor covering the period until the Constitutional Court gave judgement; he suggested that the application for a postponement stand down until Thursday, 25 July 2013 so that this aspect could be investigated.

The Commission granted a postponement to Thursday, 25 July 2013, to allow for this purpose.

The Commission will resume on Thursday, 25 July 2013 at 9:30.

Ends...

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