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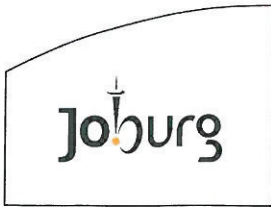
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Dear Mr Lewis,

Thank you for your letter of 25 June. My apologies for the fact that we have not yet been able to schedule a meeting with your organisation and the City Manager. I can assure you that this will be done at the earliest opportunity.

I find it regrettable that you are concluding that the City does not want to engage with Corruption Watch on the issue. Allow me to point out the following:

- In your Report on the alleged “endemic corruption” in the JMPD your researcher acknowledges the contributions made by City officials, most notably the former MMC for Public Safety, the Chief of the JMPD, three senior officials “and other personnel at the JMC and JMPD”.
- The verifiable statistics quoted in your report were supplied to your researchers by the JMPD and its Internal Affairs Department (pp. 89-91). As your report clearly notes on p 15, the bulk of its findings were the result of “a rapid information gathering process” and, according to p 26, based on “estimates” and “a series of deductions.”
- You will recall that we issued a statement on 23 April, welcoming your report and indicating that we will thoroughly review it and implement controls and recommendations.
- You will also recall that on 26 April the City issued a public statement – also displayed on your website – concerning action taken against a JMPD officer for soliciting a bribe. In this statement the City, again, took an unambiguous stance against corruption.



- In addition to this, one of the Corruption watch Team members who is a former Business Day senior journalist, was provided with information on actions the City had been taken on issues of corruption including a statement to all city employees published on the our website.
- Recently the Mayoral Committee took a resolution to forge a concrete working relationship with Chapter 9 Institutions. Three of these institutions attended a briefing meeting and applauded the steps taken by the City. They also committed to encourage other similar organisations to attend the next scheduled meeting.

Considering all steps taken so far, I think it is fair to say to the City is supportive of your initiative and shares your concerns about incidents of corruption.

Furthermore, I am pleased to inform you that the City will soon announce a number of important steps to address bribery and corruption in the JMPD as part of a broader strategy to improve the quality and scope of law enforcement in Johannesburg. This will include measures that have been under consideration for some time, including some of the recommendations made in your report.

When we are ready to make this announcement we will definitely inform our stakeholders, including Corruption Watch.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Khanya Umlaw", written over a horizontal line.

Khanya Umlaw.
Head: Office of City Manager