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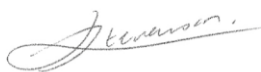
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Dear Minister Schafer

***EQUAL EDUCATION & OTHERS v MINISTER OF BASIC EDUCATION & OTHERS (22588/2020)***

1. We acknowledge receipt of the consolidated report of the national and provincial departments of education, filed in terms of paragraphs 103.10 and 103.12 of the judgment in the case of *Equal Education & Others v Minister of Basic Education and Others* (22588/2020) and received in unsigned form on 7 August 2020 and in signed form on 11 August 2020.
2. While the Western Cape was not, in terms of the order of court, required to file a plan for implementation of the National School Nutrition Programme and reports on progress on such implementation, we note that information concerning the number of learners being fed in the Western Cape, which was included in the consolidated report, is extremely worrying.
3. The consolidated report suggests that there are still around 100 000 learners in the province not receiving the school meals to which they are entitled.
4. There is no indication as to the steps being taken by the Western Cape to ensure full uptake of school meals and to overcome any challenges that the province may be experiencing in ensuring such uptake.
5. We request, therefore, that you provide us with an indication of such steps on or before 28 August 2020.

Yours sincerely,



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