

Supreme Court of Appeal of South Africa

MEDIA STATEMENT

From: The Registrar, Supreme Court of Appeal

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Status: Immediate

The applicant, the Minister of Trade and Industry, had obtained leave to appeal against an order in the Pretoria High Court directing him to furnish a report by inspectors appointed under s 258(2) of the Companies Act 61 of 1973. He had allowed his appeal to lapse by not filing an appeal record. Thirteen months later he applied for condonation. He failed to provide an acceptable explanation for the inordinate delay. The court also concluded that it would probably refuse to hear the appeal under s 21A of the Supreme Court Act. The application for condonation was therefore dismissed.

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