Webinar objective

On 20 June 2019, South Africa deposited the instrument of ratification of the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (OPCAT) with the United Nations in New York. Under Article 28 (2), the OPCAT came into force for South Africa on 20 July 2019. Under the OPCAT, South Africa must establish, maintain or designate a National Preventive Mechanism (NPM) for preventing torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, among others, through regular visits to places of deprivation of liberty. Consequently, the NPM was launched on 19 July 2019, at the Castle of Good Hope in Cape Town.

It has been a year since the launch of the NPM and the SAHRC has conducted various oversight visits to places of deprivation of liberty as part of the NPM scoping exercise. Please join us as we reflect on our observations and discuss the NPM plans for the next phase of its work.

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The launch will be held as follows:
Date: 20 July 2020, Time: 11h00 to 13h00 SAST, Venue: WebEx platform

The Commission invites all to register and participate in the webinar by clicking here.

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