



THE CATHOLIC PARLIAMENTARY LIAISON OFFICE

and the

HANNS SEIDEL FOUNDATION

cordially invite you to participate in a roundtable discussion on

Hate Crimes and Hate Speech Bill

Racism, xenophobia and other forms of discrimination and intolerance continue to harm relations between groups and to undermine our shared humanity. The *Prevention and Combating of Hate crimes and Hate Speech Bill* is government's attempt to tackle the problem legislatively. But can we deal with problems of attitude by way of criminal law? And do we want to risk losing the right to freedom of expression, just because some people may be offended by what others say? Can we find a fair balance between freedom of speech and freedom from hatred?

Speakers: **Mr John Jeffery MP** (Deputy Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development)

Mr Matthew Clayton (Hate Crimes Working Group)

Media Representative (to be confirmed).

Date: Tuesday 14th February 2017

Time: 09h30 for 10.00 – 13h00
Followed by lunch

Venue: Townhouse Hotel, Corporation St, Cape Town

Limited parking is available at Pleinpark next to the hotel. Please collect parking discs at the porter station in the driveway of the Hotel prior to pulling into the parking garage.

Please RSVP before **Friday, 10th February 2017** to

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