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Pemmy joins parliament's top three

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Former Eastern Cape MEC for public works Pemmy Majodina was announced as the ANC's chief whip in the National Assembly on Monday afternoon.

Eastern Cape ANC secretary Lulama Ngcukayitobi said Majodina now occupies the third most influential role in parliament.

"We're very happy. We support her as the Eastern Cape. We're very happy that we've got a leader that can be considered as one of the three most important positions in parliament – that is the president, speaker and chief whip.

"She has a responsibility to ensure that the entire leadership collective adheres to the policy and direction of the ANC. It's a huge task, but she is equal to it," Ngcukayitobi said.

After a special national executive committee (NEC) meeting, the ruling party announced the presiding officers of the National Assembly and the National Council of Provinces.

In a statement issued by its secretary-general Ace Maga-



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shule, the ANC resolved to deploy the following leaders in parliament and in the NCOP.

National Assembly:

- Thandi Modise speaker;
- Lechesa Tsenoli deputy speaker;
- Nomvula Mokonyane chair of chairs;
- Pemmy Majodina chief whip; and
- Dorris Dlakude deputy chief whip.

National Council of Provinces:

- Amos Masondo chair;
- Sylvia Lucas deputy chair;
 and

 Seiso Joel Mohai – chief whip and chair of caucus.

Magashule said the NEC had received a preliminary report on the 2019 election campaign and expressed that the elections were free and fair.

A detailed report and analysis would be discussed at the next NEC meeting.

He also announced that longstanding MPL in the Western Cape legislature Cameron Dugmore would be the leader of the opposition in that province. The party retained Job Mokgoro as the premier-elect for the North West province.