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The Department of Defence (DOD) will this year participate at the Pretoria Show from 28 August to 06 September 2009. The Pretoria Show presents a wonderful opportunity for the DOD to showcase its role and functions, its work during peace missions, and display its military hardware.

The DOD, represented by the SA Army, SA Air Force, SA Navy and the SA Military Health Service will provide both indoor and outdoor exhibitions and will participate in the arena program.

The indoor exhibition will be in Hall F and the outdoor exhibition is situated on the Eastern side of Hall F. The indoor exhibition will consist of static displays encompassing the latest equipment, simulators and a Reserve and South African National Defence Force Peace Missions exhibition.

At the outdoor exhibition, the SA Army will showcase the Olifant Mk2 Main Battle Tank, the Rooikat MK 1D Armoured Car, the Ratel, Caspir and other hardware. The SA Air Force will showcase the state of the art Agusta A109 Light Utility Helicopter, while the SA Navy will showcase its Namacurra harbour patrol boat, and the SA Military Health Service will showcase deployable dental equipment, a deployable pharmacy and a medical and surgical post.

Both the outdoor and indoor exhibitions are open to the public, and will also encompass a recruitment exhibition for all four Arms of Service. The arena programmes are scheduled to take place on 28 and 29 August from 18:30 to 20:30.

The media is advised that the military hardware for the show will be transported by road to the Pretoria Show Grounds on Tuesday 25 August 2009. More substantial information in this regard will be released closer to the time.

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