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SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICAN AIR FORCE COMMISSION PARADE

On Friday, 17 January 2014, the South African Air Force (SAAF) will welcome newly graduated officers and Chaplains during a Commission Parade to be held at SAAF College at 09h00. Chief of the SAAF, Lieutenant General Fabian Zimpane Msimang will officiate at the event.

The parade was initially scheduled for 13 December 2013 but postponed following the untimely passing on of the first Commander-in-Chief of the SANDF, Nelson Mandela.

The men and women on parade have successfully undergone a comprehensive military training course. It covered amongst others a nationally registered qualification, 'Further Education and Training Certificate in Military Operations'. Members on parade acquired much needed skills and necessary tools as future SANDF leaders. A total of thirty four (34) officers will be commissioned.

Chief of the Air Force will present various academic and physical trophies to candidates who distinguished themselves and excelled during the course. The prestigious Air Squadron Sword Award will be conferred to the most outstanding learner of Officer Forming Course.

You are cordially invited to send a journalist and or a photographer to attend the parade to provide media coverage. Those assigned to cover the parade should RSVP as indicated below.

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