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Subject: **SANDF CHORISTERS DESCEND ON DURBAN TO BATTLE IT OUT IN CHORAL MUSIC COMPETITION FROM 11 UNTIL 12 OCTOBER 2014**

Members of the Department of Defence (DOD) will compete with each other during the Choral Competition which gets underway at George Campbell School of Technology in Durban near North Beach, from 11 until 12 October 2014. Although this competition will unearth an abundance of musical talent, this is but a flagship program of the DOD which seeks to enhance morale and esprit de corps amongst the choristers of the SANDF.

There are ten (10) SANDF choirs from all Services and Divisions that will be competing and are composed of more than four hundred and fifty (450) SANDF members.

Old Mutual and Sanlam are the core sponsors of a competition of this magnitude.

Choral Music has for generations been part of a tradition of cultural expression among the majority of people of South Africa and within military community. South Africans have used music as a medium to express joy, empathy and to dedicate themselves to the achievement of a goal. The SANDF has decided to initiate a choral music competition amongst its members in order to boost the morale of soldiers and civilian working in the DOD.

Last year, the competition was won by Tempe Choir Bloemfontein.

Members of the media are cordially invited to attend the event as it promises to be a spectacular event.

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