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SUBJECT: SURGEON GENERAL OF THE SA NATIONAL DEFENCE FORCE TO AWARD MANDELA MEDALS

On Thursday, 04 June 2015, the Surgeon General of the South African National Defence Force, Lieutenant General Aubrey Sedibe will honour South African Military Health Service (SAMHS) members with medals on a parade who took care of the former honourable President Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela. The awards are also bestowed to SAMHS members who participated in the burial preparations, the laying in state at the Union Buildings, and those who ensured that our former Commander-in-Chief was accorded a befitting state funeral.

Ribbons and medals visually reflect the pride and honour of our men and women in uniform. A parade of this magnitude seeks to encourage deserving members to continue a sterling service with the understanding of the Code of Conduct and other prescripts which compel them to perform their duties diligently.

Award ceremonies like this are held on a regular basis in the military. They are the best way of publicly recognise the achievements and contributions of the uniform members. The medals that will be awarded demonstrate the willingness of our SAMHS members to give their very best for the SA National Defence Force and our country. The medal recipients are from Free State, Northern Cape, KwaZulu Natal, and Eastern Cape.

Media are cordially invited to attend the parade at Tempe Sport Grounds in Bloemfontein on Thursday, 04 June 2015 at 10:00.

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