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SUBJECT: THE SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL DEFENCE FORCE ARMED FORCES DAY CELEBRATIONS MEDIA BRIEFING IN PORT ELIZABETH ON FRIDAY, 12 FEBRUARY 2016

The South African National Defence Force (SANDF) will be hosting the annual South African Armed Forces Day (AFD) for 2016 on Sunday, 21 February 2016 at the Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality in Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape Province.

This military-unique event will be preceded by media briefing on-board an SA Navy Fleet Replenishment vessel, the South African Ship (SAS) Drakensberg on Friday, 12 February 2016 scheduled to commence at 07:30am.

The Chief of the SA Navy, Vice Admiral Mosiwa Hlongwane will receive navy vessels upon their arrival as they sail into the harbour. The executive mayor will join the Chief of navy in welcoming the SA Navy vessels into the Nelson Mandela Bay Harbour. This event signifies the arrival and welcoming of all SANDF elements that will participate during the AFD celebrations.

There will be an opportunity for a Question-and-Answer session, media interviews and photo opportunities with the main senior coordinators on matters pertaining to the AFD celebrations during the media briefing on the day.

The SA Navy vessels that will dock and remain in harbour for the duration of the AFD celebrations are as follows;

08:00	SAS Queen Modjadji the 1 st Submarine
10:00	SAS Amatola
10:30	SAS Galeshewe
10:45	SAS Isaac Dyoba

NOTE: Members of the media are reminded to apply for accreditation in order to be able to cover the AFD celebrations on Sunday 21 February 2016. A media centre will be established to assist with the facilitation of information for all planned events. It is requested that all attending journalists who intend to utilize the venue to please supply own IT related resources for filing as these resources are not provided for at the media centre.

Assigned journalists and photographers are requested to provide their full names, identity numbers for accreditation purposes. They should also produce their identification on arrival.

All enquiries on accreditation and RSVPs should be directed as depicted below.

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