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**MEDIA ADVISORY**

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**EMBARGO:** None

**SUBJECT:** MINISTER MAPISA-NQAKULA TO RING A FIVE MINUTE BELL

Defence and Military Veterans Minister, Ms Nosiviwe Mapisa-Nqakula will ring the five minute bell on day one of the New Zealand vs South Africa Second Test Match at Supersport Park on Saturday, 27 August 2016.

The match will honour fallen members of the South African National Defence Force. A special tribute will also be paid to the late Lieutenant-general Dumisani Mdutyana and the eleven (11) female members killed in a bus accident on the R712, Free State on Friday, 19 August 2016.

This is the first time Test cricket has been played in South Africa in August, months before the normal start of the season.

Minister Mapisa-Nqakula has expressed her gratitude for the Titans' support.

"August is no ordinary month for South Africans. It is a month set aside not only to commemorate the thousands of women who marched to the Union Buildings on 9 August 1956 in protest against the extension of Pass Laws to women, but a celebration of modern women who continue to blaze trails in various sectors of society, " said Minister Mapisa Nqakula.

The SANDF will also take to the field to form a guard of honour for the umpires and players with the military band playing the South African and New Zealand national anthems before the start of play.

The Eastern embankment of the stadium will host a display of military hardware.

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