



REPRESENTATIVES OF THE BEREAVED FAMILIES TO TAKE A BREAK FROM THE COMMISSION

All representatives of the bereaved families attending the Marikana Commission of Inquiry will today, Thursday, 28 February 2013, be heading back to their respective homes and will rejoin the Commission on Monday, 11th March 2013.

"This is a scheduled break to enable them to reconnect with their families and also to report back on the workings of the Commission," says the Secretary of the Commission, Advocate Phuti Setati.

The Commission has an additional responsibility of bringing hope and comfort to all the 44 bereaved and other affected families during the entire period of the Commission. To this end, all families through their representatives are provided with transport to and from the Commission, accommodation as well as meals for the entire duration of the commission. In addition, the Department of Social Development is assisting in providing counselling to all family members of the deceased.

Meanwhile, Mr Mzoxolo Magidiwana, another witness for the participants in the strike is continuing to give evidence at the Commission. Upon the conclusion of his evidence, the South African Police Service will call its witnesses to testify.

The Commission will adjourn for the weekend tomorrow, Friday, 1 March 2013 at 13:00 and resume on Monday, 4th March 2013 at 10:00.

Ends...

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