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### MISLEADING STATEMENTS FROM INDIVIDUALS AND ENTITIES ON THE LEGAL MATTER BETWEEN THE SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL DEFENCE FORCE (SANDF) AND THE SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL DEFENCE UNION (SANDU)

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The Department of Defence notes with concern the misguided insinuations by individuals and or entities on the matter serving currently before the North Gauteng High Court between the South African National Defence Force (SANDF) and the South African National Defence Union (SANDU).

The court hearing is not intended to question the disciplinary action taken by the SANDF which may include dismissal, but to look at whether the process followed in so doing was fair and rationale. The insinuation that the court is dealing with matters of discipline in the SANDF is far from the truth. It is disingenuous on the part of these individuals and entities to paddle such misinformation as those of us who were in court will attest to the opposite.

The SANDF is expected by the Constitution of the Republic to be managed as a professional and disciplined force. In this regard, the SANDF will ensure that it lives up to the expectation and standards of that disciplined and professional force.

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