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SUBJECT: WARNING: SANDF RECRUITMENT SCAM

The South African National Defence Force (SANDF) would like to warn the public about the fraudulent recruitment scam purported by a group calling themselves Amabutho Royal Defence who are operating in the Western Cape areas such as Wellington, Worcester, Paarl, Ceres and Robertson as well as the Cape Flats to solicit money from potential applicants.

Allegedly, the group is posing as a recruitment agency of the SANDF and are mobilising the youth. Such perpetrators lure innocent victims from churches and schools over weekends and falsely demand the victims to pay an amount of seven hundred rand (R 700,00) for transportation to Pretoria and a t-shirt. The potential recruits have also been promised a salary of thirteen thousand rand (R 13 300.00), including an opportunity to study further.

The SANDF categorically asserts that recruitment process is free and no amount of money is required for application. The SANDF advertises its application forms annually on national newspapers as well as on its websites.

Members of the public are encouraged to report any person or persons who demand money from them with the promise of employment into the SANDF to their nearest police stations or SANDF units or bases.


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