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MEDIA INVITATION

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SUBJECT: THE DEFENCE COMMAND COUNCIL TO SUPPORT MANDELA DAY 2016

The Defence Command Council led by the Chief of the South African National Defence Force, Lieutenant General Solly Shoke, will don protective clothing on Monday 18 July 2016 in support of Nelson Mandela International Day. They will carry out goodwill activities at 1 Military Hospital in ThabaTshwane and Pretoria Military Sport Club.

They will assemble at Pretoria Military Sport Club (PMSC) in ThabaTshwane at 08:30 before one group proceed to 1 Military Hospital where they will be actively involved in various activities ranging from cleaning to painting.

Nelson Mandela International Day was launched in recognition of Nelson Mandela's birthday on 18 July 2009 via unanimous decision of the UN General Assembly.

It is therefore imperative that South Africans demonstrate and participate in this programme initiated by the international community to acknowledge the goodwill and the enhancement of human rights from an influential leader and icon such as former President Mandela.

The media is cordially invited to send a reporter and/or cameraperson to cover this event. Assigned journalists should confirm their attendance with Major Hezekiel Cele.

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