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## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

**DATE:** Sunday, 08 October 2017

**EMBARGO:** None

**SUBJECT: THE SANDF ANNOUNCES THE NAME OF A MEMBER WHO WAS KILLED IN A CAR ACCIDENT**

The South African National Defence Force (SANDF) sadly announces the name of the SANDF member who died as a result of a car accident enroute from Bethlehem to Pretoria on Friday 06 October 2017 at approximately 15h00.

The details of the deceased are as follows: Sapper (Spr) Claudia Matimu Malele (26). she was born in Bungeni Village, Limpopo. Spr Malele joined the SANDF in 2015 and worked at the South African Army Engineers Formation Head Quarters in Pretoria.

Details pertaining to the memorial service and burial are not yet confirmed, the SANDF is in constant Liaison with the family to establish an understanding in this respect.

**ENDS.**

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