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MEDIA INVITATION

Date: **29 August 2017**

Subject: **SOUTH AFRICAN AIR FORCE AVIATION AWARENESS
EXPOSITION IN ELDORADO PARK**

The South African Air Force (SAAF) is embarking on a Youth Career Exposition on Aviation at Eldorado Park Ext 6 Sports Ground on 1st September 2017, 09h00 - 13h00. The event will feature an exhibition space and static displays on aviation with SAAF performing air displays, helicopter landings and parachute jumps.

The Youth Outreach programme aims to promote aviation awareness and encourage the youth to excel academically in order to enter the aviation industry. All Secondary schools in Eldorado Park will attend the event, through the Eldorado Park Principals Forum as they are actively involved in the event. There are 10 000 plus learners who will partake in this event.

The SAAF will also have a mini-air show. Major Geoffrey Simeon Cooper who is a fighter pilot from Eldorado Park, and the face of Air Force for the day will fly the Gripen. Other aircrafts which will be included on the day are the C130/CASA, Silver Falcons and Helicopters.

Media houses are cordially invited to send a journalist and/or photographer to cover the event. Reporting time for the event is 9:00 for 10:00.

Journalists assigned to cover this event should RSVP to Sergeant V.S Cekwana 012 312 2255 **on or before 31 August 2017 no later than 15:00.**

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