



## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **MEDIA ACCREDITATION AND FOR THE OFFICIAL FUNERAL SERVICE OF THE LATE DEPUTY MINISTER BAVELILE HLONGWA**

Members of the media who wish to cover the funeral service of the late Deputy Minister of Mineral Resources, Bavelile Hlongwa are advised to apply for accreditation by completing the attached form in full.

The process of applying for accreditation opened yesterday, 17 September to Thursday, 19 September 2019. Members of the media who have successfully applied will be advised on the dates for collection of accreditation at a later stage.

Deputy Minister Hlongwa passed on in an accident on 13 September 2019. President Ramaphosa has since announced that she will be honored with an Official Funeral Category 2 in line with government's State, Official and Provincial Funeral Policy.

The President further directed that the national flag shall fly at half-mast at every flag station in the country until the Deputy Minister is laid to rest. The funeral service will take place on Saturday, 21 September 2019 at Durban ICC Arena from 08h00.

Members of the public who wish to send messages of support to the family and friends of Deputy Minister Hlongwa are advised to make use of the condolence books available at:

- o The Union Buildings in Pretoria
- o Department of Mineral Resources in Pretoria
- o Parliament, Tuynhus in Cape Town
- o Office of the Premier in Kwa Zulu-Natal
- o Family home at Umbilo, Durban.

Messages can also be sent using the email address: [condolences@gcis.gov.za](mailto:condolences@gcis.gov.za)

Once it is completed in full, the attached accreditation template may be sent to [ishmael@gcis.gov.za](mailto:ishmael@gcis.gov.za) before the deadline of 19 September 2019.

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