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### **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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### **MINISTER MANTASHE TO VISIT VIRGINIA MINE IN WELKOM**

The Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy, Mr Gwede Mantashe (MP) will, on Monday 26 June 2023, visit Virginia Mine where at least 31 suspected illegal miners who are believed to be Basotho nationals lost their lives in a ventilation Shaft, in Welkom.

Minister Mantashe will be accompanied by the officials from Department of Mineral Resources and Energy's (DMRE) Mine Health and Safety Inspectorate.

Members of the media are advised of the minister's visit as scheduled as follows:

Date: 26 June 2023  
Time: 09h30  
Venue: Shaft 5, Virginia Mine, Welkom

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