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### **MEDIA STATEMENT**

#### **DG suspends senior managers on allegations of misconduct**

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Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) Director-General (DG), Mr Dan Mashitsho decided to place three senior managers within the Department on precautionary suspension pending an internal investigation into allegations of mismanagement of Departmental accounts and projects.

The suspensions are carried out in terms of Chapter 7 of the Senior Management Service (SMS) Handbook and are with full emoluments. This is an interim measure imposed by the Department not as a disciplinary sanction, but for reasons of orderly administration.

The precautionary suspensions are in the best interest of both the Department and managers concerned. This process will ensure that the investigations are conducted without interference. Once the investigations are concluded, the findings will determine whether substantive evidence exists that warrants further disciplinary action against these managers.

The three managers operated in DWS's Water Trading Account (WTE), Sanitation Services and National Water Resources Infrastructure (NWRI) branches.

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