MEDIA RELEASE **KwaZulu-Natal hospital assassination: PSA calls on Health MEC to step in**

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The Public Servants Association (PSA), the majority union in the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Health, has expressed shock about the killing of a foreign patient at the Clairwood Hospital in Durban in the presence of employees and patients on Friday, 10 January 2020.

Two armed persons passed hospital security guards and assassinated a patient in cold blood in Ward 6 of the Hospital in the presence of other patients and hospital employees before fleeing the scene.

The brutal attack raises serious concerned about the safety of employees and members of the public at hospitals resorting under of the KwaZulu-Natal Department Health. The PSA called upon the MEC of Health, Ms Nomagugu Simelane-Zulu, to immediately commence an investigation into the incident and to put in measures in place to prevent future incidents that endanger the lives of employees and members of the public.

The PSA extended condolences to the family members of the patient who died and requested counselling for hospital employees and members of the public who witnessed this incident.

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