

MEDIA RELEASE	Road Accident Fund: PSA welcomes disestablishment of Board and calls for appointment of credible Board and Executives
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The Public Servants Association (PSA) welcomes the long-awaited decision by the Minister of Transport to dissolve the Road Accident Fund (RAF) Board of Directors following persistent governance and operational failures that have severely undermined the Fund's ability to fulfil its statutory mandate in compensating victims of road accidents.

The PSA previously expressed concern over the RAF's deteriorating governance inclusive of protracted and costly litigation over accounting standards, draining financial resources. The mishandling of executive suspensions resulted in legal challenges and instability. Frequent default judgements exacerbating the RAF's contingent liabilities. Deep divisions in the Board resulted in decisions often being made via casting votes rather than consensus. The failure to appoint key executives, including the Chief Claims Officer and Head of Legal all contributed to operational paralysis of the RAF.

The expiry of the CEO's term on 6 August 2025 and the disestablishment of the Board will bring to an end to a tenure that was marred by operational inefficiency, poor governance and financial mismanagement. An attempt to lift the suspension of the CEO failed as the Court dismissed the application, although the CEO reasoned that such move would be critical for his promised second term. The Board, however, disputes that there was such a promise, meaning the end of the tenure of the current CEO. The PSA is of the view that appointing a new CEO and the new Board will bring much-needed change to an entity that was suffocated by poor governance and maladministration.

The PSA calls upon the Minister of Transport to ensure that only credible figures are considered for the RAF Board. Qualified executives, including the CEO and the long-vacant Chief Claim Officer, must be appointed as a matter of urgency. The new leadership must be selected based on merit, competency, integrity, and a commitment to restoring the RAF's credibility and service delivery.

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