

<b>MEDIA RELEASE</b>	The PSA commends the Road Traffic Management Corporation Board for suspending CEO amid allegations of financial misconduct
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The Public Servants Association of South Africa (PSA) applauds the Road Traffic Management Corporation (RTMC) Board for placing the Chief Executive Officer, Advocate Makhosini Msibi, on precautionary suspension following serious allegations of financial misconduct, irregular expenditure, and governance failures at the state entity.

The suspension follows a board meeting held on 13 June 2025, where the decision was made to remove Advocate Msibi temporarily while a forensic investigation is conducted into whistleblower claims. The PSA welcomes the decision and will continue to condemn maladministration in the state entity. The PSA has noted that the precautionary suspension is based on allegations surrounding financial misconduct, irregular expenditure, and governance failures at the state entity.

The PSA has consistently maintained that persons in senior public service management positions must uphold the highest standards of integrity and leadership. Senior managers whose actions undermine ethical governance must be held accountable. While the PSA acknowledges the rule of law, including the presumption of innocence until proven guilty, the CEO's precautionary suspension is regarded as a necessary step to ensure unhindered investigation. The PSA calls on the relevant authorities, like the law enforcement agencies, to urgently probe this possible gross misconduct. The entity must further introduce and enforce stricter financial management processes to prevent similar occurrences in the future. Senior management in the public institutions is entrusted with the responsibility to safeguard public assets, and these allegations are a direct opposite of what is expected from ethical leadership. The PSA will continue to fight the abuse of power that is displayed at the RTMC and the lack of accountability thereof.

The PSA urges the RTMC Board to fast-track the forensic investigation process and ensure that corrective measures are put in place to prevent any form of misappropriation of the entity's funds and ensure proper governance. The PSA respect the rights of the CEO but urges swift and transparent handling of the matter to avoid prolonged uncertainty that could affect the RTMC's critical mandate.

The PSA reiterates the union's commitment to safeguarding public resources and ensuring that these are used effectively to improve the lives of South Africans. Corruption and mismanagement cannot be allowed to flourish while service delivery is being compromised. The PSA further calls for decisiveness, fiscal responsibility and transparency in this process to restore public confidence. Accountability is not negotiable, and those found guilty of wrongdoing must face the full consequences of the law. The PSA remains steadfast in advocating for accountability and responsive governance.

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