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FOR PSA MEMBERS: SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS)

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What is happening at SARS?

2022-Wage negotiations: Suspension of strike

Members were informed that the employer provided labour with a settlement offer with regards to the 2022-wage deadlock after the failed negotiation sessions in which the employer offered members a 0% increase. The deadlock resulted in lunch-time pickets, followed by marches whilst the mandating processes took place. The offer by SARS of a 1.39%-salary increase and a cash once-off payment was rejected by majority of employees.

The PSA handed a memorandum of demands to both SARS management and the Minister of Finance on 25 May 2022, giving them seven days to respond. The PSA has not abandoned the industrial action but has allowed time for the Minister and SARS to reconsider the offer. Members will return to work and if there is no progress in negotiations, the PSA will intensify its efforts to put pressure on SARS by continuing with industrial action.

The PSA applauds the efforts of members of the last two days and wishes to report that the countrywide protest actions were a resounding success. The PSA encourages all members to participate and not only watch other members making sacrifices. Members' support has shown SARS that its employees cannot be taken for granted and disrespected with a ridiculous offer of 1.39% when the CPI is at 5.9%. The frustration and anger of employees must be directed at an uncaring and arrogant employer in pursuit of a real wage increase.

Employees who want to join the PSA can visit the PSA's website (www.psa.co.za), send an email to ask@psa.co.za, or contact PSA Provincial Offices.

Members will be informed of developments.

GENERAL MANAGER