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FOR PSA MEMBERS: **STATISTICS SOUTH AFRICA (STATS SA)**

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Feedback: Special Departmental Bargaining Chamber (DBC) meeting - 6 March 2023

A special DBC meeting was convened to receive a report regarding the closure of offices in Mabopane, Calvinia, Beaufort West, and Gariiep as well as the relocation of employees from the Mabopane office to Isibalo House.

Report: Closure of Mabopane, Calvinia, Beaufort West and Gariiep offices and relocation of employees from Mabopane office to Isibalo House

The employer presented a report, which purported that employees and labour were consulted on the closure of the mentioned offices. However, labour raised concerns about how the said consultations occurred after the employer mentioned that the consultations happened between the respective Provincial Managers and shop stewards.

Labour was unhappy and reminded the employer that Stats SA has only one avenue where issues pertaining to conditions of service ought to be discussed, which is the National Chamber. What was also concerning was the fact that the employer did not submit a written report to labour prior to this scheduled meeting even though parties agreed to discuss the issue in a special sitting after the normal DBC of 22 February 2023.

A decision was taken that the employer will table the matter correctly through the National Chamber for proper engagement with labour to ensure that all issues are properly handled and discussed. Parties further agreed that a special DBC will be convened on 16 March 2023.

Members will be updated on developments.

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GENERAL MANAGER