

**MEDIA RELEASE**                      **PSA notes passing of Minister in the Presidency with sadness**

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The Public Servants Association (PSA) extends heartfelt condolences to the Presidency and the family of the late Minister Jackson Mthembu.

Minister Mthembu's demise is a great loss to the South African government. His contribution in the 6<sup>th</sup> administration is highly recognised and appreciated. He made important interventions in the communication arena of Government. He introduced strategies that improved communication with workers and the public. The PSA believes under his stewardship, confidence in Government communication platforms was restored.

Minister Mthembu displayed respect for organised labour, as he endeavoured to resolve grievances raised in his Department. One of the tasks he assumed as Minister in the Presidency, was to meet with organised labour and afford them an audience to outline challenges experienced in the Department. As such, the PSA developed confidence in his leadership.

The PSA believes that Minister Mthembu made an immense contribution in the Public Service within a short period of time. His legacy will be remembered and cherished.

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