



MEDIA RELEASE **PSA supports decision to block single-source school-food tender**

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The Public Servants Association (PSA) applauds the Minister of Basic Education's prudent decision to block the R10-million tender for a single supplier to provide school food.

This bold move prevents a potential repeat of the Bosasa scandal and ensures that public funds are used responsibly. The PSA shares the Minister's concerns about the tender process and the potential for corruption. Transparency, accountability, and fair competition are essential in government procurement processes. By blocking this tender, the Minister demonstrates a commitment to protecting the public purse and upholding the principles of good governance.

The PSA supports the Minister's efforts to ensure that school-food programs benefit learners and communities, rather than enriching a single supplier. The PSA urges the Department of Basic Education to re-examine the tender process, ensuring that it is fair, transparent, and in line with procurement regulations. The PSA also calls for the involvement of teachers, parents, and communities in the decision-making process to ensure that school-food programs meet the needs of learners.

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