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INDUSTRY NOTICE

THE SAD PASSING OF DR BOBBY NDUNGU, A PRIVATE SECURITY LUMINARY IN SADC AND ON THE AFRICAN CONTINENT

The Private Security Industry Regulatory Authority (PSiRA) laments the untimely passing of Dr Bobby Ndungu, a resident of Zimbabwe but a citizen of the world. Not only was he a guest speaker at our 2016 Pan African Forum on Private Security and the 2019 maiden Private Security Indaba, he was also a member of a Panel of Experts which successfully developed a Discussion Document towards a Draft Transformation Charter for the private security in South Africa.

His immense contribution towards professionalising private security industry in SADC will be sorely missed. A renown scholar, his sharp foresight and unparalleled insights were unparalleled. His PhD thesis titled *Investigating the need for and role of regulation in the private security industry in Zimbabwe* (submitted to the Washington International University in February 2009) speaks volumes in terms of research acumen and displays his passion for effective governance of the private security industry.

Our sadness is compounded by the fact that this agonising loss happens when Africa's hope to have its voice heard on international private security platforms was beginning to gain traction.

However, we live in hope, knowing that through Dr Ndungu's generously shared wisdom, the private security industry on the African continent is on the cusp of international glory.

We are grateful that most of you have appreciated interacting with him at the Indaba, learning more about his understanding of private security matters across the SADC region.

You may access his presentation on PSiRA Website,

https://www.psira.co.za/dmdocuments/Indaba_Presentations_2019/MONITORING%20AND%20OVERSIGHT%20OF%20PRIVATE%20SECURITY%20COMPANIES%20IN%20SADC.pptx

The baobab tree has fallen, may his soul rest in peace.

Kind regards,

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