



small business development

Department:
Small Business Development
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

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To: Members of the Media, Viewers of Newzroom Afrika

CLARIFICATION ON MINISTER STELLA NDABENI'S NON-APPEARANCE ON NEWZROOM AFRIKA

This morning, a post was made stating that Minister Stella Tembisa Ndabeni did not attend scheduled interviews with Newzroom Afrika on Monday 02 March 2025 and Tuesday 03 March 2025.

We would like to clarify that an internal miscommunication occurred, where the Minister was informed by the Director of Communications that the interviews had been postponed when, in fact, they had not.

We sincerely apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused both Newzroom Afrika and its viewers. The misconduct of the Director of Communications in this matter will be addressed internally.

The Minister extends her sincere apologies to the station and its audience for this unfortunate misunderstanding and welcomes another opportunity to engage with Newzroom Afrika, a platform she has appeared on numerous times.

We henceforth request that all communication regarding the Minister be directed to her office through **Luyanda Mbalana (063 313 2728 or LMbalana@DSBD.gov.za)**

Best regards,

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Chief of Staff

Office of the Minister