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### **Media statement Friday 03 June 2016**

#### **Prisoner survives and two wardens die on a crash**

Two male prison wardens died and a prisoner survived when the white Ford Ranger club cab they were traveling with collided with a truck on the N4 road at Groot Marico this morning. According to Traffic Authorities at the scene, it is alleged that the truck driver applied brakes and swif to the right avoiding to hit cars in front as they were also applying brakes and collided with the oncoming vehicle.

The correctional services vehicle was driving from the Zeerust to Swartruggens direction while the truck was from Swartruggens to Zeerust. Bokone Bophirima Community Safety and Transport Management MEC Dr Mpho Motlhabane has sent his deepest sympathy to the families of the deceased. We wish to send our deepest sympathy to the bereaved families. It is heartbreaking to think of the fact that someone has just become a widow and a child somewhere in the families of the bereaved is now an orphan just because of this unfortunate accident.

The rate we are losing lives of our beloved one is heartbreaking, + said Dr Motlhabane, who appealed to motorists to be vigilant and always obey to the road rules. Motorists and road users are advised to report any hazard on the road by calling the departmental toll free number: 0800 204 992.

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