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**SEPARATION OF ROLES: SOUTH AFRICAN CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY  
AND CHIEF: CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY**

The Chief Executive of the South African Civil Aviation Authority (SACAA), Mr. Zakes Myeza, has announced the separation of the role of the Chief: Civil Aviation Security from that of the SACAA. The Chief: Civil Aviation Security, Mr Mongezi India, has physically relocated to the offices of the Department of Transport (DOT) with effect from 1 April 2007.

The separation of roles was effected on 1 December 2006 and, since then, the Chief: Civil Aviation Security has been accountable to the DOT, reporting to the Director General: Transport.

Previously, Mr India occupied both the positions of Chief: Civil Aviation Security, appointed by the Minister of Transport, and General Manager Aviation Security (AVSEC), appointed by the CEO of the SACAA.

Now that the DOT and the SACAA have decided to separate the two roles and Mr India is moving to the DOT, the SACAA CEO has appointed Ms Poppy Khoza as acting GM: AVSEC at the SACAA.

The SACAA and in particular its AVSEC Department, will continue to perform its current function of controlling, regulating, promoting and the overseeing of civil

aviation safety and security as determined by the South African Civil Aviation Authority Act and other Acts and Regulations.

The Chief: Civil Aviation Security will continue to perform his functions in accordance with the Civil Aviation Safety Regulations. He is primarily responsible for the drafting of the National Aviation Safety Plan with such plan determining matters, in collaboration with the National Aviation Safety Committee, such as the training standards for certain persons, the nature of some essential equipment required for use at designated airports and by air carriers and how such equipment is to be made available.

A DOT – SACAA workgroup has been established to draft any necessary legislation or regulatory amendments to give effect to the separation of functions between the SACAA and the Chief: Civil Aviation Security.

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