



MEDIA STATEMENT

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Hartebeespoort Dam Accident - Update

The South African Civil Aviation Authority was notified of an aircraft accident in the Hartebeespoort Dam area early this morning. An SAPS helicopter went on a search for the wreckage and we are pleased to report that the wreckage was located in the same area. A second body has now been found which brings the total number of fatalities to 2. Even though it was difficult to reach the wreckage, we now have confirmation that the investigators were finally able to reach the site and are busy extracting information and data that will help in the investigation.

It is believed that the aircraft took off from Krugersdorp and it was going to Wonderboom airport for maintenance.

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About the SACAA:

The South African Civil Aviation Authority (SACAA) was established on 1 October 1998 following the enactment of the South African Civil Aviation Authority Act, No.40, in September of the same year. The SACAA promotes and maintains a safe, secure and sustainable civil aviation environment, by regulating and overseeing the functioning and development of the industry in an efficient, cost-effective, and customer-friendly manner according to international standards.

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