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### **MEDIA RELEASE**

#### **GAUTENG PDMC TO HOST PROVINCIAL MULTI-DISCIPLINARY SIMULATION EXERCISE**

The Gauteng Provincial Disaster Management Centre (PDMC) will be hosting a multidisciplinary search and rescue exercise led by the Urban Search and Rescue Team (USAR-SA) on the 28th and 29th of March 2022 in the City of Ekurhuleni. This is the only United Nations classified team in the SADC region which has recently acquired K9 capabilities.

An effective search and rescue team enables the province, country and region to be ready to respond to various incidents and disasters. The simulation exercise will showcase USAR skills that include, but are not limited to rope rescue, hazmat, structural collapse rescue and confined space rescue, including swift water rescue services.

A full-scale exercise simulates a real event as closely as possible and is designed to evaluate the operational capability of emergency management systems.

Members of the media may attend as follows:

**Date: Monday, 28 & 29 March 2022**

**Time: 10:00 am**

**Venue: Leno Ferreira Fire Station, Cnr Trichard and North Road Boksburg**

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