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### **DIRECTORATE: COMMUNICATION**

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#### **MEDIA STATEMENT**

### **NW EDUCATION FORMER ACTING HEAD OF DEPARTMENT DISMISSED**

The pending case of the North West education's former acting superintendent general Dr. Abe Seakamela has been finalized on Thursday 14 March 2013.

Both Dr Seakamela and his lawyer pleaded guilty to the two charges of misconduct. This was contrary to the stance he adopted upon his suspension in August last year. The plea of guilt by Dr Seakamela was even done before a presiding officer could make a final ruling.

The chairperson of the enquiry found him guilty on charges of irregular expenditure, transfer of employee(s) against the moratorium on transfers and on prejudicing the department and provincial government's administration by referring a forensic report to the public protector prior to exhausting internal remedies.

This implies that the tribunal found him guilty on the three charges as he also pleaded guilty at the end of the case.

On the basis of this guilty plea and the seriousness of the case, the ruling of dismissal was passed.

Dr. Seakamela was the department's deputy director general and acted as a super-intended general in June 2011 until his suspension in July 2012.

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