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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT

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MEDIA STATEMENT

TO: ALL MEDIA

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MEC MCHUNU TO ADDRESS A MEMORIAL SERVICE OF SIX STUDENTS KILLED IN DURBAN ACCIDENT

MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison Mr. Willies Mchunu will attend a memorial service of six victims on Thursday (02/06/2011), who were killed in a gruesome accident that occurred in Durban last Saturday (28/05/2011). The accident happened on the corner of Manning and Clark roads in Glenwood at around 02h30 am.

Preliminary reports indicate that a BMW driver lost control and plunged his vehicle into a tree as a result of an impact. It is believed that all six passengers died on the scene and were flung out upon impact and the car broke into two pieces. Five of the occupants were females and one was a male. The driver was critically injured and taken to St Augustine's hospital at the Intensive Care Unit. The driver was discharged from Intensive Care Unit and is now in an ordinary ward at the same hospital.

The three institutions affected by this accident were, Berea Technical which lost three students, while Durban University of Technology (DUT) lost one and the driver who survived was also from DUT and lastly Career Training Institute (CTI) lost two students. The Department of Transport, together with the affected Institutions will host a memorial service to commemorate the lives of the victims and especially now that we are beginning the Youth month.

Details are as follows:

DATE: 02/06/11 (Thursday)

VENUE: Curries Fountain Stadium (Durban)

TIME: 10h00

All media houses are invited
Ends.

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