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## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

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### **MINISTER OF TRANSPORT DR BLADE NZIMANDE STATEMENT FOLLOWING THE MEETING WITH THE PRASA BOARD OF CONTROL**

CAPE TOWN-The Minister of Transport, Dr Blade Nzimande, received the Recovery Plan to address sustained decline in business performance, both operational and financial, at the Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa (PRASA).

Yesterday, 21 August 2018, Minister Nzimande met the Board of Control, led by the Chairperson, Ms Khanyisile Kweyama, who briefed the Minister on the Board's plan to restore good corporate governance at PRASA.

The recovery plan will be implemented immediately upon consideration and approval by Cabinet.

"This plan provides immediate, short and medium term interventions, which will ensure that we wholly turn-around PRASA. These interventions are operational, engineering and financial in nature. I expect PRASA to focus on turning the entity around in order to provide safe and affordable passenger rail service," said Minister Nzimande.

"I can also confirm that PRASA is now ready to present to Parliament the 2016-17 Annual Report and will meet deadlines to present the 2017-2018 Annual Report," said Minister Nzimande.

To further advance and restore good corporate governance and stability at PRASA, the Board has advanced in the implementation of recommendations by the Public Protector, Auditor-General and Treasury reports.

Minister Nzimande will continuously monitor progress and receive quarterly reports on the implementation of the recovery plan.

"I will ensure that transport entities without exception subscribe to the notion of good governance and at all material times aspire to promote sound and prudent financial management. These principles will be underpinned by transparency, accountability and value for money". emphasised Minister Nzimande.

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