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**PRESS RELEASE**

Finance Minister Trevor Manuel will host a meeting of SADC Ministers of Finance on 8 August 2002 in Pretoria.

The Ministers are expected to sign Memoranda of Understanding on tax harmonisation and macroeconomic convergence in the SADC region. The meeting will also consider the role of Ministers of Finance in the African Union and Nepad, further steps toward macroeconomic convergence in the region, and will receive a report on the East and Southern Africa Money Laundering Group.

Decisions of this meeting will be taken to the SADC Council of Ministers in Angola, September 2002.

Following the meeting a media briefing, will be held:

Date: 8 August 2002  
Time: 17:00  
Venue: Budget Council Room  
40 Church Square  
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