



MINISTRY OF FINANCE
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MEDIA STATEMENT

POSTPONEMENT OF SOUTH AFRICAN AIRWAYS SOC LIMITED ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of SAA that was scheduled for 2 October 2015 has been postponed as the company has not yet finalised their 2014/15 Annual Financial Statements (AFS).

The adoption of the AFS by the shareholder was one of the key items on the AGM agenda. During the course of August 2015, SAA submitted a request for a guarantee which was required to enable the company to sign off the company's AFS as a going concern.

Before the request could be considered, the Minister of Finance requested that SAA expedite the finalisation of a number of matters which could assist in improving the airline's financial sustainability and reduce the amount of support required from government. National Treasury is aware that SAA is well advanced with addressing the majority of the outstanding matters.

The delay in finalising the AFS also means that these have not yet been submitted to the Minister for tabling in Parliament. As the financial statements will not be tabled on 30 September 2015 as is usually the case, the Minister has provided a written explanation in this regard to Parliament.

Board

The process to appoint a permanent Board is underway, but unfortunately has taken longer than originally anticipated. In the meanwhile, the interim Board will continue to lead the organisation until such time as the appointment of the permanent Board is finalised.

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