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# TARGET TRANSNET

IS STATE-OWNED ENTERPRISE DELIBERATELY BEING **SABOTAGED?**

**T**ransnet is the victim of a spree of sinister incidents crippling the state-owned enterprise after a decade of being the “prime site” of state capture. Investigations are underway to determine if Transnet is deliberately being sabotaged.



We are very disturbed and concerned about the incidents over the past two years and calls on Government to intervene to protect Transnet.”

~ John Pereira, Deputy General Secretary of UNTU ~

UNTU believes Transnet plays a critical role in the South African economy because it is the heartbeat of all imports and exports.

UNTU wants Government to declare all Transnet infrastructure as national key points in terms of the National Key Points Act. Currently only some of the Transnet pipeline depots have been declared national key points.

UNTU also repeated its pleas that the South African National Defence Force (SANDF) must be deployed to patrol and safeguard South Africa's

33 000 km of railway line.

Pereira says the unprecedented vandalism and theft at Transnet and the Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa (Prasa) makes it impossible to render a proper service.

In the latest incident, a coach of the Blue Train, the flagship of Transnet Freight Rail, caught fire in the warehouse of Transnet Engineering Koedoespoort, Pretoria, where it was being repaired.

This was the third incident involving the Blue Train in two months. In November 2021, Blue Train coaches derailed after it was left overnight at a yard in Germiston.

In January 2022, the Blue Train suffered another derailment in its shunting yard in Salvokop.

These coaches were being repaired when three men allegedly cut a live cable of one of the coaches inside a warehouse. The coach caught fire. Transnet's security managed to arrest one of the suspects, but two of them got away.

Transnet has arrested more than 2 000 suspects for cable theft, but nothing seems to come of the cases once it is handed over to the South African Police Service (SAPS) to investigate and to the National Prosecution Authority (NPA) to prosecute.

Only the arrests of suspects suspected of fuel theft at Transnet Pipelines receive attention thanks to the involvement of the Hawks, the specialised priority crime unit of the SAPS. It has been seven years since the

Criminal Matters Amendment Act 18 of 2015 has been implemented, but the NPA could not provide the cable theft subcommittee of the National Economic Development and Labour Council (Nedlac) with any examples where an accused was sentenced according to the maximum sentence.

The Act was specifically implemented to serve as a deterrent for organised crime syndicates that target state infrastructure funded by taxpayers' money.

“The Act states that any person who unlawfully and intentionally tampers with, damages or destroys essential infrastructure; or colludes with or assists another person in the commission, performance or carrying out of such an activity, who knows or ought reasonably to have known or suspected that it is essential infrastructure, is guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to a period of imprisonment not exceeding 30 years or, in the case of a corporate body, a fine not exceeding R100 million,” says Pereira.

UNTU listed some of the incidents at Transnet over the past year:

- **2 May 2021** – Transnet had to close the railway line to the Port of Richards Bay after a train derailed near Hammelfontein, Ermelo in Mpumalanga.
- **3 July 2021** – A train with 208 coaches derailed on its way to Richards Bay near Dassieshoogte, Vryheid in KwaZulu-Natal.
- **22 July 2021** – Hackers managed a successful cyber-attack on the

computers of Transnet forcing the state-owned enterprise to declare *force majeure*. It was the first time in history. It took Transnet about a month to recover.

- In **October 2021** – Transnet had to declare *force majeure* again due to two devastating fires at the conveyer belts of the Port of Richards Bay. A third fire broke out in a warehouse at the Port of Durban in the same week.
- **7 November 2021** – 19 coaches of the Blue Train derailed. It was left standing overnight at the Union Station in Elandsfontein, Germiston.
- **January 2022** – Another derailment of the Blue Train while shunting at its depot in Salvokop, Pretoria.

In February 2022 President Cyril Ramaphosa said in his State of the Nation Address that Transnet will start the process of providing third-party access to its freight rail network from April 2022 by making slots available on the container corridor between Durban and City Deep in Gauteng.

“Transnet has developed partnerships with the private sector to address cable theft and vandalism on the freight rail network through advanced technologies and additional security personnel.”

Pereira says that this will not help if stakeholders from all spheres of Government do not take hands to address the grave social economic challenges in the country. Crime is crippling Transnet and Prasa. 🇿🇦





## UNTU of the future will be even greater

UNTU's National Congress is just around the corner which will also be the end of my term as your President. The past seven years has been a rough ride, but I am proud to say that I would do it all over again if given the opportunity. I was privileged to take action and implement various plans, new innovations and processes to ensure that the UNTU of today is bigger, better and faster than ever before.

When I became President, I had a vision of ensuring that three golden rules be the pillars on which we build the Union.

We had to grow our membership and we had to extend the scope of our membership beyond being the majority Union in Transnet and the Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa (Prasa). We did that.

Today UNTU is proudly referred to as the most progressive Union in the transport industry representing members at the Railway Safety Regulator (RSR) and at the South African Maritime Safety Authority (Samsa).

While growing the Union, we had to ensure that we deliver the best service to our existing membership, the most valued stakeholders in UNTU. Without members,

there would be no Union and they had to be empowered in the workplace with well-trained UNTU representatives to assist them when the need arises. We did that.

UNTU takes pride in the excellent training of our Executive Council, Full-time Trade Union Representatives and Trade Union Representatives.

It is senseless to achieve new heights and milestones if our members are not aware of our achievements. Communication is key to the growth and prosperity of the Union. We did that.

UNTU has set the trend in communication to our members through *Labour Report*, our quarterly newspaper, our social media pages, our website, and issuing frequent circular letters to our members and press statements to the

media. UNTU has become a household name and a force to be reckoned with.

For me it was an honour to lead this transformation process and to conquer the challenges as they presented themselves.

I believe that the UNTU of the future will be even greater, and I look forward to the roadmap for the next few years that will be determined by our National Congress. 🌟



**Hendrik Fourie**

## UNTU SAYS

## Uphill battle against organised crime

Continued unprecedented theft and vandalism is destroying Transnet's ability to render a service, just as it left the Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa (Prasa) unable to resume operations after the hard lockdown in 2020.

Transnet Freight Rail (TFR) informed Parliament's Portfolio Committee on Public Enterprises that the continued vandalism and theft of cables, and theft from goods containers cost the state-owned enterprise around R4 billion as of December 2021.

Transnet reports an average of 600 incidents per month and although hundreds of suspects have been arrested and handed over to the South African Police Service (SAPS), this roaring trade continues.

The social economic situation in South Africa and the high unemployment rate of 34,9% due to the devastating impact of the Covid-19 pandemic is partly to blame, but we must not underestimate the involvement of international organised crime syndicates.

China is driving the global demand for copper and remains the world's largest consumer of the metal.

In one of the most recent incidents, five Zimbabweans were arrested in February on the road between

Queenstown and Cathcart in the Eastern Cape. The SAPS recovered 34 rolls of copper cable weighing 1 188 kg with an estimated value of R650 000. The men drove a Ford Ranger and had R22 700 in cash on them.

They are facing charges of the possession of suspected stolen copper cables and damage to essential infrastructure.

This arrest is only the tip of the iceberg. TFR told parliament R3 billion is needed to upgrade its security infrastructure across all its corridors, with about 80% of this to be funded through external means.

With a loss of R8,4 billion in the 2020/2021 financial year, Transnet simply doesn't have the funds to roll out the much-needed security upgrades. TFR experienced a 177% increase in criminal incidences and security breaches along its network nationwide over the past five years.

As UNTU we appeal to our members, their families, and communities to take hands and be the eyes and ears of our law enforcement authorities to combat rail-related crime. This is a war that neither Transnet nor Prasa will be able to fight alone. Let's ensure that trains remain the cheapest form of transport for the future. 🌟

## UNTU always on the MOVE



▲ Henk Smith, UNTU Executive Council Member, with the newly elected leadership of the Worcester Branch in the Western Cape. On the left is SA Wonga, Branch Secretary, and on the right is Leandré Miller, newly elected Branch Chairperson.



▲ UNTU Executive Council Member Lutwena Saul and UNTU Organiser Vuyani Ruda attending a general meeting with UNTU members in Saldanha.



▲ UNTU Executive Council Member Steven Leshabana concluded the training of UNTU's newly elected Trade Union Representatives in Richards Bay.



▲ UNTU Full-time Trade Union Representative Lincoln Visagie visiting members in Upington in the Northern Cape.





# UNTU National Congress is finally here

## Spotlight on promise & potential peril of Fourth Industrial Revolution

**T**hree years overdue, the UNTU National Congress will be held from 24 to 26 May 2022 at the Birchwood Hotel and Conference Centre in Boksburg, Gauteng.

The National Congress will be attended by almost 300 delegates from UNTU branches nationwide under the theme, "The Fourth Industrial Revolution".

The guest speakers promise to give the delegation a realistic glimpse of the fate UNTU members are faced with going forward after the devastating impact of Covid-19 in a rapidly changing world moving to technology and processes due to increasing interconnectivity and smart automation.

According to the World Economic Forum, the Fourth Industrial Revolution represents a fundamental change in the way we live, work, and relate to one another.

"It is a new chapter in human development, enabled by extraordinary technology advances commensurate with those of the first, second and third industrial revolutions. These advances are merging the physical, digital, and biological worlds in ways that create both huge promise and potential peril.

"The speed, breadth and depth of this revolution is forcing us to rethink how countries develop, how organisations create value and even what it means to be human. The Fourth Industrial Revolution is about more than just technology-driven change; it is an opportunity to help everyone, including leaders, policy-makers and people from all income

groups and nations, to harness converging technologies to create an inclusive, human-centred future."

John Pereira, Deputy General Secretary who is also the Congress Convener, says this is an exciting time for the Union.



The National Congress is a critical date as it gives newly elected leadership the opportunity to come to the fore with new ideas on how to transform and position the Union for the challenges ahead."

The National Congress is the highest authority of the Union where the branch delegation elects the Executive Council who will control the affairs of the Union for the next four years.

The initial date for the National Congress was in November 2019, but it was postponed with the approval of the Registrar of Labour because most of the branch official elections were not completed.

The National Congress had to be postponed another two times due to the global impact of the devastating Covid-19 pandemic that claimed the lives of almost 100 000 South Africans.

"UNTU is looking forward to welcoming the delegation to what is set to be a successful National Congress," says Pereira. 🌟

## Blood stock is critically low

**U**NTUCares once again appeals to all our members who can donate blood, to assist the South African National Blood Service (SANBS) by donating blood to save lives as there is less than three days of blood in stock.

Khensani Mahlangu, spokesperson of the SANBS, says the Covid-19 pandemic had an impact on the blood stock levels. During the festive season the SANBS was not able to collect blood at schools.

"Less than 1% of South Africans are active blood donors. A unit of blood only lasts 42 days after donation and, for this reason, it is important for blood donors to donate regularly. Donors can give blood as often as every eight weeks.

"Every unit of blood can save a minimum of three lives as blood is separated into red blood cells, plasma and platelets. The SANBS aims to collect 3 000 units of blood per day to ensure a safe and sufficient blood supply in the health care system," says Mahlangu.

Last year, UNTU member Albertus Posthumus of Transnet Engineering in East London challenged all UNTU members to follow his example by donating blood. On 10 January 2022 Posthumus donated his 207th unit of blood.

"I appeal to all my colleagues and friends to be a silent hero by opening your veins and saving lives," he says.



#UNTUCares

Ashlee Carstens donated blood for the first time at Hoërskool Overkruin in Pretoria.

Ashlee Carstens (16), daughter of UNTU Media, Liaison and Communication Officer Sonja Carstens, donated blood for the first time when the SANBS recently visited her school, Hoërskool Overkruin, in Pretoria.

"I want to make a difference and I am proud that my blood can help to save lives. Not everyone can donate blood, but those of us who are healthy enough to help the SANBS, should do it," says Carstens. 🌟



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# SAMSA: Ensuring safety at sea

**T**he primary goal of the South African Maritime Safety Authority (Samsa) is ensuring safety at sea. The authority was established in April 1998

with a clear mandate of ensuring safety of life and property at sea; the prevention and combating of pollution to the environment from ships; and the promotion of South Africa's maritime interests.

In the same way as the Civil Aviation Authority and the Railway Safety Regulator, Samsa is also considered a statutory watchdog accountable to the Minister of Transport.

Samsa's responsibilities include the administration of Merchant Shipping Regulations (National Small Vessel Safety), which extends to safe boating in inland waterways accessible to the public; and implementing and executing the long-range identification and tracking (LRIT) of vessels along the South African coastline, with a view to securing these waters considering the threat of pirate attacks, particularly along the East Coast.

It is an important part of Samsa's mandate to promote South Africa's maritime interests and position the country as an international Maritime Centre.

Samsa plays a key role in the development and implementation of



national and international maritime safety and marine environment protection standards. Samsa also operates the Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre (MRCC) that coordinates rescue efforts to aid people in maritime distress situations in the internationally agreed upon South African Search and Rescue Region.

Samsa is responsible to create public awareness around maritime safety and environmental preservation.

Samsa publishes ship and environmental safety standards and makes them available to the public. The entity also publishes the annual *State of Maritime Safety Report* for South Africa. The organisation investigates maritime casualties, administers South Africa's ship administration system,

oversees responsible maritime transport operations, enforces training standards and the competency of seafarers, and manages responses to marine pollution incidents and other maritime emergencies.

On 1 April 2018, Samsa resumed its Platinum Partnership with the non-profit National Sea Rescue Institute (NSRI). Partnering with the NSRI was an easy decision for Samsa due to inherent and mutually beneficial operations and activities carried out by the two organisations, says Vusi September, Executive: Corporate Affairs.

"The South African Maritime Safety Authority depends on the NSRI to provide maritime and inland rescue services in South Africa and as a partner provides essential administrative support to ensure that our fleet is inspected and surveyed annually, that our education and training regimes are compliant and that we have professional advice with respect to maritime matters. We look forward to broadening the scope of the partnership and increasing the financial contributions by Samsa to our programmes to facilitate a water-safe nation," says Dr Cleeve Robertson, CEO of the NSRI.

UNTU entered into a Union Rights Agreement with Samsa in August 2020 and represent roughly 59 employees. To date the Union is struggling to conclude a recognition agreement with Samsa. 🏴‍☠️



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# Infra workers receive safety boots

*Labour Report* article ensures workers are equipped with tools of the trade

**T**wo Transnet Infra workers in Makhado (Louis Trichardt) who have been struggling for years to get proper safety boots, now both have a new pair that fit them perfectly thanks to *Labour Report*.

"I don't have enough words to extend my gratitude to the UNTU *Labour Report* who highlighted the challenges and frustrations of Infra workers in remote areas by writing about the struggle of Samuel Monyela (56) and Gray Masevhe (41).

"I knew that our Union would leave no stone unturned to ensure that they have the right equipment to do their jobs safely. As a Branch Chairman it is an absolute honour to serve a Union who keeps its promises to its members," says Steven Matlala, Branch Chairman of Musina in Limpopo.

*Labour Report* published a report on the two men in the December 2021 edition and gave a copy of the newspaper to Portia Derby, Transnet's Chief Executive Officer, so



that she can take note of what is happening on ground level.

Transnet immediately responded and ensured that both men got their boots, says Matlala.

Monyela got his last pair of boots from Transnet Freight Rail in 2019. His boots were worn, the soles were coming off and it was unsafe for him to operate big machines, but he had no choice because

he is the only breadwinner providing for a family of nine people. Masevhe had to stay in the yard and do general work because he was told his feet are too big for safety boots. He wears a size 11 and has been working for Transnet for fifteen years.

"I borrowed a pair of size 11 safety boots from my uncle, but my supervisor would not allow me to work outside the yard because the shoes do not comply with Transnet's standards," he said at the time.

The report also touched the heart of UNTU's attorney, Leonard Singer, who read the "unfortunate plight" of the men in *Labour Report*.

"It is difficult to understand how their employer would not provide them with the necessary equipment to allow them to work safely. I would like to buy them each a pair of boots," Singer wrote to UNTU.

UNTU thanked Singer for his kind gesture but felt that the employer must adhere to its obligation to provide employees with the tools of the trade. 🌟

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# Transnet at the heart of state capture

## Responsible for 72,2% of all irregular transactions from 2008 until 2018

**T**ransnet was the “prime site” of state capture from 2008 until 2018, responsible for 72,2% of all irregular transactions. This was the findings of the Commission of Inquiry into Allegations of State Capture led by Acting Chief Justice Raymond Zondo who heard shocking evidence of how Transnet was abused and looted by various key appointments.

According to the Zondo Commission’s report that was handed to President Cyril Ramaphosa in February 2022, Transnet awarded irregular tenders to the value of R41,2 billion to companies with links to the Gupta family. Transnet also paid R60 billion to unfairly benefit Chinese companies.

The Zondo Commission recommended that Malusi Gigaba, former Minister of Public Enterprises; Brain Molefe and

Siyabonga Gama, former Chief Executives of Transnet; Anoj Singh and Garry Pita, former Financial Executives of Transnet; and Thamsanqa Jiyane, former Head of Procurement of Transnet Freight Rail; be prosecuted by the National Prosecuting Authority for alleged corruption and racketeering.

It is alleged that the men were all seen at the Gupta family’s luxurious home in Saxonwold, Johannesburg, between 2010 and 2018 where they allegedly received cash payments.

According to the report, former President Jacob Zuma insisted that Gama take over the reins of Transnet from Maria Ramos in 2009 although he had a pending disciplinary action against him. Barbara Hogan, former Minister of Public Enterprises, testified at the Commission that she refused to appoint Gama. In November 2010 Hogan was replaced with Gigaba.

According to the report, Gigaba ensured that Singh and Molefe were appointed as executives of Transnet. The former Minister also ensured that Gama was appointed in February 2011 as Chief Executive of Transnet Freight Rail.

Transnet dismissed Gama in December 2010 after an alleged irregular contract scandal, but Gigaba ensured that the sanction was reduced to a final written warning. The result was that Transnet had to pay Gama R13 million in backdated salary.

The Commission recommended that Molefe, Gama and Singh be prosecuted for alleged fraud and contraventions of the Public Finance Management Act. It is alleged they misled the Board of Transnet to inflate the price of 1 064 locomotives with R9,1 billion. Molefe was seconded to Eskom in April 2015 and Gama took over at Transnet. On 12 March 2016 Lynne Brown, former Minister of Public

Enterprises, appointed Gama. Transnet fired Gama in September 2018.

Ironically Portia Derby, the former wife of Molefe, was appointed on 1 February 2020 to restore and rebuild Transnet. She vowed to clean the rot. To date Derby did not have an easy task.

Transnet Board Chairperson Dr Popo Molefe says they lost critical and skilled employees during the state capture years.

“We found a broken organisation and we were lucky because at that stage they have already commissioned two reports to investigate maleficence in the organisation and supply chain systems were compromised extensively and there was absolute disregard for the law and for the procurement policies of the company.”

When *Labour Report* went to print, none of the individuals mentioned in the report were arrested or charged in connection with state capture. ▼



## UNTU demanded answers from former Transnet CEO Gama in 2017

**U**NTU questioned Siyabonga Gama, former Chief Executive of Transnet, five years ago, about shocking allegations in the *GuptaLeaks*, as revealed by AmaBhungane and Scorpio.

Gama assured UNTU that Transnet appointed Werksmans Attorneys to launch an independent investigation to probe the allegations in the *GuptaLeaks* referring to the Gupta-linked Tequesta Group situated in Hong Kong.

AmaBhungane reported it found a contract that stipulated Tequesta would earn a 21% cut of every deal made with China South Rail (CSR). Gupta lieutenant Salim Essa was the sole director of Tequesta. UNTU also pointed out to Gama that the Parliamentary Trade and Industry Oversight Committee decided to launch a probe into Transnet’s acquisition of 1 064 locomotives at a cost of R50 billion from

CSR. The Union demanded that Transnet be transparent in its communication to employees about the progress of the investigation. Gama agreed.

Steve Harris, retired General Secretary of UNTU, also questioned Gama on the advertising contract Transnet had with the Gupta newspaper, *The New Age*, which was revealed in Transnet’s financial statements. Gama responded that he did not have to justify his operational decisions to UNTU.

According to the report of the Zondo Commission, Brain Molefe, Gama’s predecessor, improperly awarded contracts to *The New Age*. From 2012, Molefe began to dish out sponsorship and advertising contracts to *The New Age*, a lucrative arrangement that continued after he left Transnet in 2015 to take up the position as Chief Executive at Eskom. Gama replaced Molefe at Transnet.



Siyabonga Gama, former Chief Executive of Transnet.

The Commission concluded that from 2012 to 2017, Transnet paid *The New Age* an amount of R147,7 million for advertising and sponsorship initiatives. The Commission has declared this amount to be fruitless and wasteful expenditure and recommended that law enforcement agencies investigate Molefe’s conduct, and possibly prosecute him for subverting procurement laws. ▼



The Zondo Commission concluded that from 2012 to 2017, Transnet paid *The New Age* an amount of R147,7 million for advertising and sponsorship initiatives. The Commission declared this as fruitless and wasteful expenditure.





I want to tell other UNTU members that UNTU will never disappoint. UNTU's representatives are well-trained and have knowledge and expertise in Labour Law and the employer's policies to fight any injustice."



# Top notch representation

UNTU Executive Council Member Douw Dreyer successfully represents member

**E**noch Matabana put his trust in UNTU Executive Council Member Douw Dreyer to represent him after he was unfairly treated at Transnet Pipelines and was not disappointed after the Transnet Bargaining Council (TBC) ruled in his favour.

"Dreyer knows the policies of the employer very well. He came prepared and I had confidence in his abilities. He kept checking up on me and reassured me throughout the process.

"I want to tell other UNTU members that UNTU will never disappoint. UNTU's representatives are well-trained and have knowledge and expertise in Labour Law and the employer's policies to fight any injustice," says Matabana (38), a Senior Protection Officer at Transnet Pipelines in Rustenburg in the North West Province.

Growing up, Matabana dreamt of



Enoch Matabana

becoming a police officer and did so after he finished matric. After serving the South African Police Service for ten years, he accepted a position as a Security Officer at Transnet Freight Rail.

In 2017 Matabana got promoted to a

supervisory position at Transnet Pipelines where he has service providers reporting to him from the North West Province to Mpumalanga.

Transnet's Pipeline is declared a national key point because of its national

strategic importance to the South African economy. Access control at the pipelines is strictly monitored.

According to Matabana, he was blamed because a register of the pipeline depot in Emalahleni (Witbank) went missing. He got a six months' written warning. "I was very unhappy because I was wrongfully charged and felt that the finding was unfair. But Dreyer told me not to worry and stood by my side, believing in my case. I was over the moon when the ruling was in my favour."

This was the first time since Matabana joined UNTU in 2012 that he needed the Union to represent him. He is a proud UNTU member who keeps abreast of the latest developments by following the Union's Facebook Page.

Matabana is busy with his degree in Police Science after he obtained a bursary from Transnet. He is a proud father of two beautiful girls. 🌟

## Lincoln Visagie saved his job, says Infra worker at Transnet in Upington

**J**onathan Olifant (30), an Infra worker at Transnet in Upington, will always be grateful to UNTU Full-time Trade Union Representative Lincoln Visagie who saved his job after he faced fourteen charges of taking unauthorised leave.

"Lincoln knows the policies of the employer very well. I have never needed representation until now. I will remain a loyal UNTU member," says Olifant, who

joined UNTU in 2013.

He was charged when he returned to work after the festive season. "I was informed that my Track Master did not sign the leave form I submitted. According to him, no one was allowed to take leave over the festive season, but when we asked to see the e-mail, he tore it up."

Olifant says he was under the impression that his leave was approved when he stayed away from work. He

asked Visagie to represent him after he was charged. "I was very impressed with the manner in which he handled my case. He was well-prepared and that gave me peace of mind. It was a very traumatic experience to go through.

"The bottom-line was that the employer did not adhere to its own policies. I was never informed that my leave was not approved."

In another case, Visagie assisted a

Satawu member who was the victim of sexual harassment in the workplace and wanted to get a transfer. According to the victim, she had lost her faith in trade unions by the time Visagie took her case.

"I wanted to show her that UNTU delivers and won't let her down. She was sent from pillar to post. I just persisted with the matter until I got a resolution. She was so impressed that she now joined UNTU," says Visagie. 🌟



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	Secretary	VACANT	-	-	-	-	-
TRE Richards Bay	Chairman	VACANT	-	-	-	-	-
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	Secretary	Mdayi	Veliswa	083 493 5020	049 802 8224	-	vratoplis@gmail.com
East London	Chairman	VACANT	-	-	-	-	-
	Secretary	Nkumanda	Kholelwa	083 670 0013	043 700 2090	-	Untuec@prasa.com
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	Secretary	Morena	Melissa	084 285 0342	044 604 6471	-	melissa.morena@transnet.net
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	Secretary	Faltein	Kerwin	071 688 2883	043 700 2130	-	kerwin.faltein@transnet.net
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	Secretary	Godfrey	Edwin	072 236 2056	041 507 5167	041 507 5006	edwin.godfrey@transnet.net
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BRANCH	POSITION	SURNAME	FIRST NAME	CELL PHONE NO	TELEPHONE NO	FAX NUMBER	E-MAIL ADDRESS
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	Secretary	Warrington	George	083 411 4962	021 940 2160	086 749 1740	george.warrington@transnet.net
Maritime Cape Town	Chairman	Coetzee	Chantal	076 083 1930	021 449 4285	-	chantel.coetzee2@transnet.net
	Secretary	Van Rooy	Olivia	082 322 5898	021 449 3045	021 449 4175	olivia.vanrooy@transnet.net
Maritime Saldanha	Chairman	Wevers	Ply	073 397 3179	022 703 4831	022 703 4952	ply.wewers@transnet.net
	Secretary	Soobramoney	Chantal	072 220 2882	-	-	chantal.soobramoney@transnet.net
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	Secretary	Neels	Andre	078 699 1019	021 449 5349	-	Andre.Neels@prasa.com
Metro Disa	Chairman	Fingita	Ndimpiwe	082 091 3234	021 940 3516	-	Ndinafingita@gmail.com
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	Secretary	VACANT	-	-	-	-	-
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BRANCH	POSITION	SURNAME	FIRST NAME	CELL PHONE NO	TELEPHONE NO	FAX NUMBER	E-MAIL ADDRESS
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	Secretary	Radebe	Joseph	084 557 7112	058 302 2160	-	mojchenity@yahoo.com
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	Secretary	Kruger	Andries	083 451 7351	056 268 2106/2141	056 268 2146	dries.kruger@transnet.net
TRE Bloemfontein	Chairman	Bezuidenhout	Kobus	071 268 6100	051 408 3543	-	Kobus.Bezuidenhout@transnet.net
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# Zonke Cebekhulu now also a qualified professional life coach

UNTU Executive Council Member Zonke Cebekhulu has come a long way since starting her career at Transnet as a maintenance assistant in 2001.

Cebekhulu, who started serving on UNTU's Executive Council in 2006, believes in continuous learning. She recently qualified as a professional life coach and is accredited by the International Coaching Federation (ICF).

"It all started with my quest to find my purpose in life. I was always talking to people from various walks of life and wondered why people

had a tendency to approach me. I realised that I was a good listener. One day I was watching a television show about a life coach. I realised that I was already doing it, although I did not realise it and had no professional training."

For Cebekhulu it is inspiring to partner with an individual to assist them to achieve their personal goals and reach their potential in life. She also helps individuals to achieve balance in their lives.

Her training has assisted her in many ways as an UNTU Exco Member. "It makes it easier for me to engage in deliberations and raise

questions more powerfully to obtain more information for the benefit of our members. I see it as a tool. It helped me to grow and understand the importance of my role as an Executive Council Member."

Cebekhulu wishes to one day be the first female Vice President of the Union and believes she can make a valuable contribution. "There is a lot of work to be done to uplift women and the youth and I believe the future of the Union must be more academically and strategically based," says Cebekhulu.



## UNTU STOP ORDER

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CENTRE / DEPOT: \_\_\_\_\_ JOB TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

- Formula for calculating subscription: 1% of basic monthly salary (minimum of R48,00 and a maximum of R83,00).
- I, the undersigned, hereby authorise the relevant company as indicated in the table below to monthly deduct the amount as calculated per the above formula from my salary, and to pay this amount to UNTU.

(Please mark with X) **CONTRACT WORKER: YES ☐ NO ☐** **WHERE ARE YOU EMPLOYED?**

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### THIS STOP ORDER CANCELS THE MEMBERSHIP OF ANY OTHER UNION

I fully understand and accept that this STOP ORDER can only be cancelled by giving a month's written notice to the General Secretary.

NOMINEE FOR DEATH BENEFIT: I, the undersigned, hereby nominate and appoint:

(1): \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ I.D. NO: \_\_\_\_\_  
(2): \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ I.D. NO: \_\_\_\_\_

to be my nominee/s. This death grant shall form no part of my legal estate and shall be neither executable nor attachable at the instance of any creditor of mine, but shall be paid directly to my nominee.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Called as pastors to spread His Word

Hennie Welgemoed (52) and his wife, Leandra (56), completed their diplomas to work as evangelists for any denomination.

"It was not easy to learn words in Greek and Hebrew, but God called us to duty, and we abided by His wish. It is extremely rewarding to give my all to God's work," says Welgemoed.

He is a Train Assistant in Klerksdorp and has been employed by Transnet since 1989. His wife is a homemaker. They used their own funds to complete their studies.

The couple responds to invites from any groups or churches to preach to them. They are fluent in English and Afrikaans.

"Our greatest reward is saving souls for God." Welgemoed says he is ready to bid his job at Transnet farewell and to permanently serve God if that is His wish.

"I believe everyone will be truly blessed if we remain faithful to God," says Welgemoed.





Loeriesfontein is situated on the outskirts of the Northern Cape.

# Loeriesfontein in their blood

No crime or traffic in small town, community care about each other

**J**oulin Horn (33) was born in Loeriesfontein, is raising her daughter in Loeriesfontein and will remain in the town on the outskirts of the Northern Cape until she dies. "In Loeriesfontein the community care about each other and look after one another. We greet each other when we pass in the street. There is no crime in Loeriesfontein," says Horn, an Infra assistant working for Transnet.

Growing up she wanted to become a traffic officer because it seemed like an interesting job to her. After school she worked as an administrative assistant at the South African Police Service (SAPS).

She started working for Transnet six years ago.

It is difficult to work in a remote area. There are no doctors or medical help in Loeriesfontein. The nearest town is Vredendal, which is about 200 km away.

"In summer we have poisonous snakes like the Cape cobra, puff adder and rinkhals. You must know what to do if you encounter one of them. It gets over 40 degrees in summer and below freezing point in winter.

"You have to adapt to the challenges,



Joulin Horn

but we have our own rewards. We don't have any traffic and live a very peaceful life. If you have settled in Loeriesfontein, you will never move away. It is in your blood."

Horn is immensely proud of her brother, Jovani, who managed to get a role in the TV series, *Nêrens, Noord-Kaap* that was filmed in the area.

Unemployment will always be a challenge and any job creation will be welcomed. She prays that Transnet's plans to develop in the area will materialise. In her spare time, she loves spending time with her family and listening to music. 🌟

TUR Mark Steenkamp dreams of becoming an electrician for Transnet

**M**ark Steenkamp, UNTU Trade Union Representative at Transnet in Loeriesfontein in the Northern Cape, dreams of becoming an electrician for his employer.

He has been working as an Infra worker at Loeriesfontein for the past six years and was elected to serve as an UNTU representative last year.

Steenkamp was born in nearby Brandvlei and wanted to become a pilot for the South African Police Service, but that did not work out. He was working for a transport company when he got the job opportunity at Transnet.

"I was very excited, because it seemed as though there would have been development in the Loeriesfontein area. But now it feels as though I am stuck in the wrong place. My wife is working in Cape Town, and I can only visit her and my two sons once a month.

"My dream is to become an electrician because I believe that it will be more challenging and will open more doors for me in future," says Steenkamp.



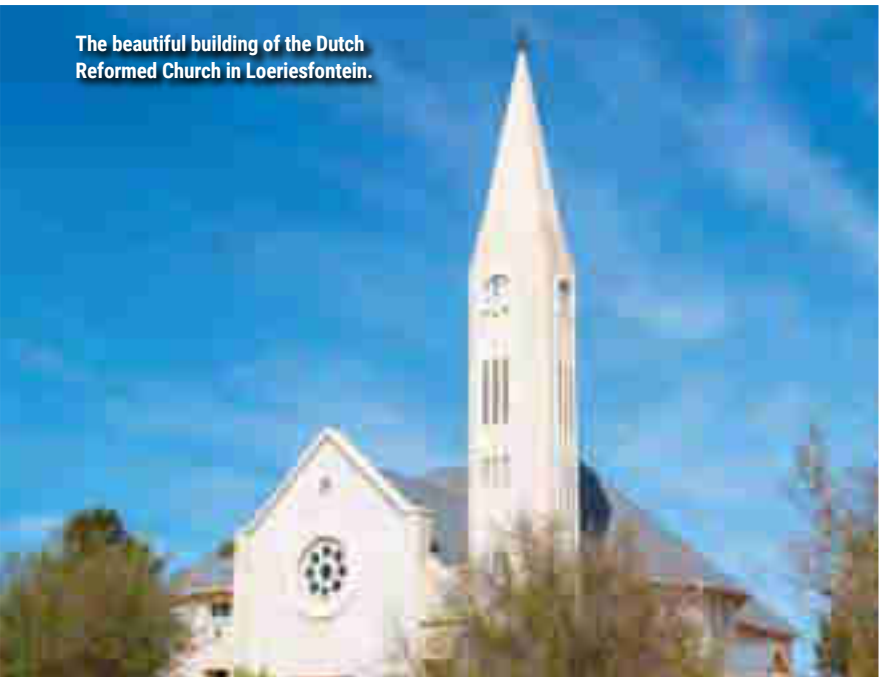
Mark Steenkamp

According to him it is a big responsibility and a sacrifice to be an UNTU Trade Union Representative. It is often a very ungrateful job, but he appreciates all the support he gets from the UNTU leadership.

"UNTU fights for its members. I am very grateful for the consistent communication from UNTU's Head Office because it makes it easier to inform members when you get regular updates."

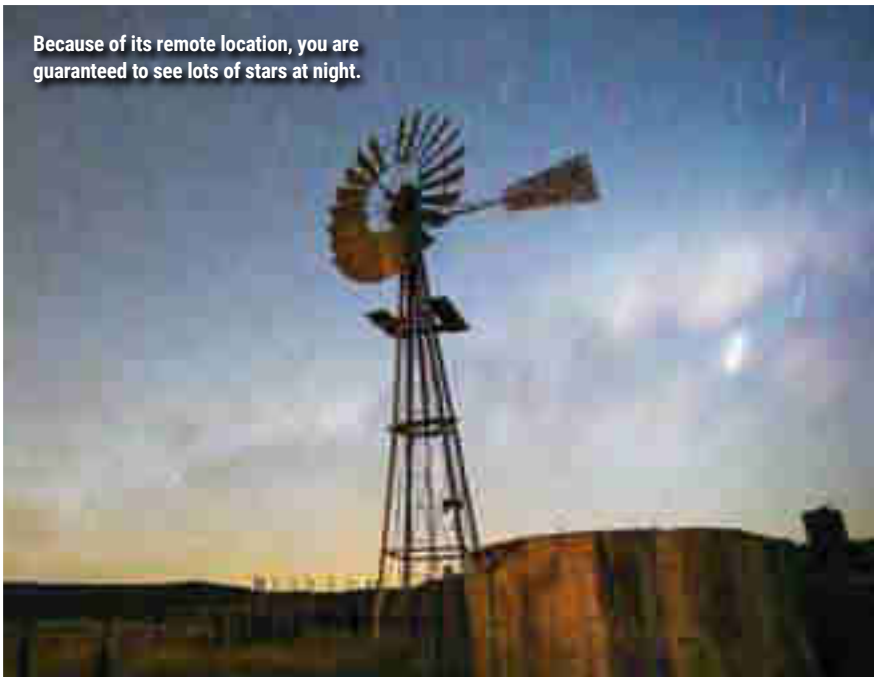
He would love to receive regular depot visits from UNTU leadership, but realises it is not always possible because Loeriesfontein is very remote. 🌟

The beautiful building of the Dutch Reformed Church in Loeriesfontein.



Snakes such as the Cape cobra come to visit during the summer months.

Because of its remote location, you are guaranteed to see lots of stars at night.







# UNTU congratulates class of 2021

Overall pass rate of 76,4% amidst the devastating impact of Covid-19 pandemic

**U**NTU is extremely proud of the matric class of 2021 who managed to get an overall pass rate of 76,4% amidst the devastating impact of two years of the Covid-19 pandemic and the negative impact of loadshedding during the exams. Angie Motshekga, Minister of Basic Education, said “the high-quality passes, especially the number of bachelor and diploma passes, the overall pass mark, and the passes with distinctions, even in critical subjects, are the hallmarks of the performance of the class of 2021”. The lives of the matriculants of 2021 were disrupted when President Cyril Ramaphosa announced a 21-day national lockdown effective from midnight 26 March 2020 to 16 April 2020 to combat the spreading of Covid-19. After two weeks, the President extended the hard lockdown with another two weeks. The weeks became months, and the months became two years. According to the Department of Education, children have lost 1,3 years of schooling due to Covid-19. “The matric class of 2021 sets the bar for everyone. It is possible to achieve your goals even if you are faced with extremely difficult circumstances. Congratulations to all the learners and the parents and grandparents who supported them,” says Hendrik Fourie, President of UNTU.







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# Serenity & safety at UNTU Palms

## Enjoy waves crashing down at UNTU's Jewel of the South Coast in KZN

**A**re you ready for the sound of waves crashing down and the smell of the ocean? UNTU Palms, the Jewel of the South Coast, cannot wait to bring you all the beauty and tranquillity of our family holiday resort at the seashore of Sunwich Port, a mere 120 km south of Durban in KwaZulu-Natal.

The Covid-19 lockdown, especially when visits to the beach and the swimming pool of the resort were prohibited by regulations, was a difficult time for our staff and visitors alike.

Visitors can now once again relax and enjoy the variety of facilities on offer. UNTU Palms continues to adhere to all Covid-19 protocol.

Besides the beach, there is a tidal pool ideally suited for small children and the resort also has ample playground for children to play, a volleyball court, a swimming pool, a putt-putt course, and a games room.

Do not forget to bring along your surfboards, diving equipment, and fishing rods. UNTU Palms hosts one of the best surfing and rock fishing spots on the South Coast!

To suit your pocket, UNTU Palms has

not adjusted our 2020 tariffs for our chalets, cabanas or variety of caravan park stands.

Do not miss out on your chance to get a beautiful first-ever UNTU Palms beach towel for free if you book a midweek stay in our chalets, cabanas, or caravan park during off-peak seasons.

You will also get a free towel if you book for three (3) nights instead of two (2) over a weekend in off-peak seasons. This special gift will continue while stocks last.

Our regular guests who visit us during the peak seasons, do not need to worry that they will miss out on our beautiful towels as anyone can buy them from our

UNTU Palms office at R250 per towel, while stocks last.

UNTU Palms cater for campers and backpackers. You can rent one of our four sleeper tents and all our camping sites have braai areas.

If you are not in the mood for a braai, there are many restaurants close to UNTU Palms that will serve you with a healthy breakfast, light lunches, cocktails and amazing dinners. The resort also has security looking after your safety at night.

• **Do not hesitate in contacting your favourite family holiday resort on 039 681 3325/96 or via e-mail [reservations@untupalms.co.za](mailto:reservations@untupalms.co.za)** 📧

The cabanas are fully-equipped self-catering units with DSTV and air conditioners catering for up to six people. There is undercover parking available for one vehicle, and ample parking for a second vehicle. The cabanas have a communal braai area with a playground.

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The sparkling family swimming pool at the resort.



Park your caravan at one of our lovely camping stands in the caravan park. All the campsites have electricity and taps.



To accommodate campers and backpackers, UNTU Palms has four sleeper tents with extensions available to rent. The staff will set up your tent. UNTU Palms will provide the tent and two single beds.

