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Appointment of Acting SARS Commissioner

Pretoria, 11 May 2009 – Mr. Oupa Magashula will assume the duty as Acting SARS Commissioner from 3pm today.

The out-going Commissioner Mr. Pravin Gordhan, will be sworn in as South Africa's Minister of Finance with his Cabinet colleagues this afternoon.

Mr. Magashula has been with SARS since 2006.

On the recommendation of the Minister of Finance, the President and Cabinet will appoint the next SARS Commissioner in due course.

About Oupa Magashula--

Mr. Magashula is a Deputy Commissioner at SARS. Until today, he headed an operational division responsible for contact centres, processing centres and delivery enablement services such as process engineering and information management.

Prior to this he was head of Human Resources and other Corporate Services. He has created an advanced platform for people management and development.

In the early eighties he worked for a trade union, studied for a BSc at the University of Cape Town and later management courses at the UCT Business School. He has worked in the private sector both in operations and HR – Nampak, Sun International and Anglo Vaal Industries.

Prior to SARS, he was HR Director at Telkom.

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