

19th March 2023

Economic Freedom Party

By Email/Whatsapp

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Cancellation of the Supply of Hired Busses for 20th March 2023 Protest Action

We refer to your request for quotation to hire busses from us, as well as the proof of payment for such busses.

We have received the instruction from Minmec (National Minister of Transport) copy of email enclosed that as subsidized bus operators we are required to provide services tomorrow (20 March 2023) since it's a normal working day in accordance with our contractual obligations and requirements. Therefore, the DoT don't expect any bus operators to be hiring vehicles that are contracted to Government.

We were further informed that in the event that of failure to adhere to these instructions, will prejudice our relationship with the relevant contracting authority and may result in buses being impounded under these circumstances and our contract not being extended and or canceled.

It is regrettable based on the above instruction, we are unable to assist with your requirements as it will be in breach of our contract.

We do apologize for the inconvenience and ensure that you will be refunded. Kindly provide us with the banking details to process refund.

Regards,

Management

! URGENT COMMUNIQUE REGARDING THE MASS PROTEST ACTION



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Rika van Eeden

Details

Dear Member and Stakeholder,

SABOA was called to an emergency pre meeting of MINMEC on Sunday evening at 20h00.

The minister addressed all attendees and reiterated her appreciation for the support and commitment of the Bus industry towards operating normal services on Monday.

However it was stressed that by all accounts no buses should be hired out for purposes of attending the stayaway and protest gatherings. It was clearly indicated that any buses found to be used to promote disruptions and or blockages will be impounded and this must not be taken as government working against the industry but rather for proactive diffusing of the situation.

So it is therefore incumbent upon operators to ensure buses are not hired to ferry protestors and thus used for illegal actions.

All incidents may be reported to the CENTRAL COMMAND CENTRE at SANRAL ON [011 266 2088](tel:0112662088).

Please also advise SABOA National office of the same on saboa@saboa.co.za or the SABOA Whats App number [078 880 0015](tel:0788800015)

Thanks and regards.

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