

correctional services

Department: Correctional Services **REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

MEDIA STATEMENT

8 September 2024

FIRE INCIDENT AT CORRECTIONAL SERVICES HEAD OFFICE

The Department of Correctional Services (DCS) confirms that a fire broke out in the West Wing Block of its Head Office, Poyntons Building in the early evening of 8 September 2024. The incident affected the sixth floor of the building. The City of Tshwane Emergency Services responded promptly, and the fire has since been fully extinguished.

An investigation will be launched to establish the cause of the fire. DCS can confirm that no injuries were reported, and all personnel present in the building have been safely accounted for.

The safety of our employees and the security of our facilities remain a top priority. Further updates will be provided as more information becomes available.

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