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MEDIA STATEMENT

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GRIEKWASTAD MURDERS: PAROLE REVIEW BOARD OVERTURNS DECISION TO GRANT PAROLE

The Minister of Correctional Services, Dr Pieter Groenewald, confirms that the original decision to place an offender on parole has been replaced by the Correctional Supervision and Parole Review Board (CSPRB) in terms of section 75(8) of the Correctional Services Act.

The offender in question remains unnamed in accordance with the Criminal Procedure Act, as he was a minor at the time of the offences. He was convicted of three (3) counts of murder, rape, and defeating the ends of justice. The victims were his parents and younger sister.

The Minister's decision to refer the matter to the CSPRB followed numerous representations from the community. Prior to making the referral, the Minister requested and considered all relevant documentation pertaining to the parole placement decision.

The CSPRB, chaired by a Judge of the High Court, was tasked with reviewing the original decision of the Uppington Correctional Supervision and Parole Board and was required to either confirm the decision or replace it with its own.

Following its review, the CSPRB decided to replace the original decision. The offender will therefore continue serving his sentence and must comply with prescribed corrective measures within a specified timeframe before his suitability for parole placement can be reconsidered.

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