

To All SAPTU Members

1. I wish to refer you to my e-mail of 5 April 2009 of which a copy is attached herewith.
2. I again wish to point out the following:-
 - (i) According to Resolution No 1 of 2007 there was an agreement in the Public Service Bargaining Council that funds will be set aside to implement the approved new revised salary structures per identified occupations. The first phase regarding the implementation of a new salary structure has been implemented as you are all aware.
 - (ii) The second phase regarding the recognition of experience gained up to 31 March 2007 and which must be translated into salary scales backdated up to 1 July 2007 now creates problems for implementation due to lack of funds which must be made available by Government to LAB for immediate implementation. It appears that Government remains committed to the implementation of the 2nd phase but wish to negotiate in the General Public Service Sectoral Bargaining Council with the Unions to implement it in a phased manner over a period of time.
3. I also enclose herewith a memo received from the General Secretary of FEDUSA dated 07 May 2009 which is self explanatory.

From this memo you can see that SAPTU is indeed making a substantial effort to assist in solving the problem which we now experience. We, therefore, regret that e-mails are floating throughout the country that SAPTU are doing nothing. Once the meeting with the New Minister of Justice has been arranged you will be informed accordingly. Naturally our members will also be informed of the outcome of the deliberations with the Minister.

Adv Ben v/d Walt
General Secretary.