



**NUMSA INVITES THE MEDIA TO A JOINT PRESS CONFERENCE OF TRADE UNIONS
IN THE SECURITY SECTOR TO DEAL WITH THE NON-PAYMENT OF WORKERS
BENEFITS**

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Press Alert

The National Union of Metalworkers of South Africa (NUMSA) will be part of a joint press conference with unions in the security sector, to highlight the non-payment of medical insurance and other benefits which are due to security guards. More than 30 thousand security guards are affected by this unlawful practice where money has been deducted but not paid to the service provider which amounts to approximately R50 million.

We will also publicly unveil a detailed programme of action that the unions in the Private Security Sector will undertake to exert pressure on non-compliant companies to compel them to pay back money which was irregularly deducted from workers' salaries. Thousands of security companies, including some contracted to the government, do not pay workers their benefits. They are unlawfully deducting millions from salaries, but they are failing to pay those monies over to the service provider. This is fraud and it must be treated as such. There must be severe consequences for those who engage in this form of criminal activity. These benefits were negotiated as part of the National Bargaining Council for the Private Security Sector (NBCPSS) collective agreements and employers have no choice but to pay. At least 23 unions including SATAWU, KAWU and Abaqobi Union will be among those participating in the press conference.

Media are invited.

Details of the presser below:

Date : **Wednesday, 1 February 2023**
Time : **10:00**
Venue : **Southern Sun Hotel in Sandton**
Address : **Katherine Street (115 Katherine Street, Sandton)
Johannesburg, Gauteng province**

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