



MINISTRY OF JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES

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Deputy Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development to provide an update on efforts to address hate crimes against LGBTIQ+ persons

Given the recent spate of violent attacks against members of the LGBTIQ+ community, the Deputy Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development, Mr John Jeffery, will provide an update on the efforts of the Department to prevent, combat and prosecute such hate crimes.

The update will be preceded by engagements of the National Task Team (NTT) on the Rights of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer and Intersex (LGBTQI+) persons.

The NTT, which will meet on 30 June 2021, will convene government, Chapter 9 institutions and civil society together to assess the current interventions in place and develop further mechanisms to address the heightened and intensely violent acts perpetrated against LGBTIQ+ persons. The NTT will also discuss the revised National Intervention Strategy. Representatives from the National Prosecuting Authority will also be in attendance.

Media are invited to cover the briefing as follows:

Date: Thursday, 01 July 2021

Time: 14h00

Media participation:

Journalists may view the briefing via live streaming on the Justice YouTube and social media channels on the links below:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/DoJCD>

Twitter: https://twitter.com/DOJCD_ZA?s=09

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