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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **MINISTER DEAN MACPHERSON UNDERTAKES WORKING VISIT TO THE MIDDLE EAST TO ATTRACT INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT**

Public Works & Infrastructure Minister, Dean Macpherson, is undertaking an official working visit to the Middle East, which will include Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, and Qatar, from 20 to 28 February. The Minister is joined by the Member of the Executive Council (MEC) for Public Works & Infrastructure in Limpopo, Ernest Rachoene, and the Chairperson of the eThekweni Municipality Economic Development and Planning Committee, Thembuhle Ntuli.

The visit forms part of the Minister's commitment to attracting infrastructure investment into South Africa, which will help turn the country into a construction site, boosting economic growth and creating jobs. In each country, the Minister and his delegation will meet with his state counterpart or equivalent, sovereign wealth funds, state-owned entities, and private sector businesses that can invest in South African infrastructure projects.

The Middle East represents an untapped market for South African infrastructure projects, with limited investment having taken place in the past.

The Minister's itinerary is as follows:

20–21 February: Kuwait

21–24 February: United Arab Emirates

24–26 February: Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

26–27 February: Qatar

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