

MEDIA STATEMENT

Fire Incident at Winnie Madikizela-Mandela Building (WMM), Unisa Muckleneuk Campus

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A portion of the Winnie Madikizela-Mandela building at the Muckleneuk Campus caught fire in the early hours of this morning (21st December 2022). Relevant teams from Unisa's Protection Services and Facilities Management, joined by the Principal and Vice-Chancellor, Professor Puleng LenkaBula responded and were on the scene swiftly.

As per standard protocol, the team alerted both the City of Tshwane Fire Department and the South African Police Services (SAPS). At the time of the incident, no injuries were reported.

The cause of the fire and extent of the damage will form part of the investigations. The investigation report will guide management on the next steps.

For health and safety reasons, Management has decided that the Winnie Madikizela-Mandela building not be open for access during the investigation. Affected staff would be communicated to via line function communication.

Management would like to convey its gratitude to the Protection Services and Facilities Management teams, as well as other Unisans who responded to the call to action from early this morning.

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