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**MEDIA STATEMENT: ARMED ROBBERS ATTACK CENTLEC EMPLOYEE IN FREEDOM SQUARE, BLOEMFONTEIN.**

CENTLEC has received with shock the news of the attack and robbery on one of our Electricians while on standby duty in Freedom Square, Bloemfontein on Thursday, 22 February 2024.

Mr. Makae was attacked by two armed perpetrators while approaching a stop sign on Thursday, midnight. During the attack, the perpetrators demanded his wallet, and cell phone. He was stabbed on the leg and on his face. He is being treated at one of the medical facility in Bloemfontein.

As CENTLEC, we condemn such acts of violence, assault and intimidation against our employees especially when they are fulfilling the mandate of an institution. This display of aggression and violence by communities often leads to prolonged power outages and delays the work of repairs. Such acts also cause unnecessary post-traumatic stress disorder, depression and anxiety to our employees.

We urge anyone who may have witnessed the incident to contact the nearest police or our Security Services at 051 412 2239. The tip-offs can also be done anonymously.

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