Agri-sector Unity Forum

ASUF Press Statement

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Agri-sector Unity Forum (ASUF), as representative of all major agricultural unions, has noted the statement of clarification by the Minister of Labour, Minister Mildred Oliphant, on the farm worker sectoral determination, as well as noted with concern the responses by COSATU and FAWU. ASUF again emphasizes its commitment to engage all relevant parties to address the labour unrest and demands with the necessary urgency and responsibility, while working within the prescribed legal and regulatory framework.

ASUF will furthermore advise and encourage the broader agriculture sector to continuously and timeously participate in the prescribed processes as outlined by the Minister of Labour, as well as to respect and honour these processes. ASUF urgently calls on **all** involved parties to desist from inflammatory and provocative statements, and thus to cease the irresponsible incitement of farm workers. It is only by constructive and sensible engagement, and not through violence and arson, that the complex problems that do exist, can be solved.

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