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The High Commission of the Republic of South Africa in Australia wishes to acknowledge the concerns that have been raised by the South African community in Australia with regard to the recent developments in South Africa.

The South African High Commission wishes to express its deepest condolences to the families of those who have lost their lives and livelihoods in the midst of the current situation.

The Government of the Republic of South Africa is seized with efforts to restore order and protect lives. The rule of law and respect for human rights are the cornerstone of our constitutional democracy. South Africa remains rooted in strong democratic values with the rule of law entrenched under the nation's Constitution.

The South Africa law enforcement agencies remain on high alert to respond to incidents of criminality and violence. The South African National Defence Force has been deployed to support the operation of the South African Police Service. In addition, South Africa's National Security Council meets twice a day to coordinate all efforts to restore stability.

South Africa will continue to work together with all stakeholders to ensure a peaceful resolution to the current situation.

In the words of President Matamele Cyril Ramaphosa, "together, we will defeat those who seek to destabilise our country, who seek to reverse the gains we have made. We will stand as one people, united against violence, unanimous in our commitment to peace and to the rule of law."

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