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bitte finden Sie nachstehend eine aktuelle Mitteilung zum Thema Ebola, ausgegeben von Government Communications (GCIS) South Africa on behalf of Department of Health.

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##### **Media Statement: Cabinet decision on Ebola**

The Cabinet met on 20 August 2014 and was presented with an update on the Ebola outbreak in Guinea, Sierra Leone, Liberia and Nigeria by the Minister of Health, Dr Aaron Motsoaledi. Cabinet noted with concern the extent of the outbreak and the increase of cases in three of these countries, i.e Guinea, Sierra Leone and Liberia, over the last week.

Cabinet recognised that even though the outbreak has been limited to these countries in West Africa, the spread to other countries need to be contained. Cabinet recognized that containing the outbreak at source will be essential and limit the spread and mortality caused by the disease to these particular parts of the world.

Cabinet noted that the Department of Health has taken measures in South Africa to enhance surveillance, distribute guidelines to all hospitals in public and private sectors, designate health facilities for the treatment of patients, deployed personal protective equipment (PPE) to designated facilities, conducted training, activated outbreak response teams and is operating a hotline for clinicians through the NICD (National Institute for Communicable Diseases).

A travel advisory has also been prepared and copies are available and will be distributed to the media and relevant parties:

<http://www.health.gov.za/docs/other/Traveladvisorytoprevent.pdf>

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