

## PRESS RELEASE

### BUSA ON COSATU'S PROTEST ACTION ON 07 OCTOBER 2016

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Business Unity South Africa (BUSA) is aware of COSATU's intention to strike on 07 October 2016, as outlined in their [press release](#). Nedlac considered a Section 77 (1) (b) notice in respect of the state of public transport in South Africa, which was brought by COSATU against the National Department of Transport and the South African National Roads Agency (SANRAL). COSATU subsequently filed a notice to embark on protected protest action on this issue.

BUSA is concerned that the call by COSATU to protest action on 07 October 2016, as outlined in the aforesaid press release, covers everything but public transport. It is BUSA's view that protest action by employees will only be protected if it is related to the issue covered by COSATU's s77 application, i.e. the state of public transport.

BUSA believes in the right of every employee to engage in protest action where the legal procedures have been observed. However, unprocedural protest action is damaging to the economy and the perception of the country by investors, and it should be strongly discouraged.

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