



Opening & Welcome remarks by the Sedibeng District Municipality Executive Mayor, Cllr. Mahole Simon Mofokeng on the occasion of the 2010 Projects Political Steering Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 28 April 2010, at 08h00, at the Vaal Teknorama, Vereeniging, Sedibeng

Colleagues,

Comrades & Fellow Councillors;

Officials

I convey my greetings to you and take this opportunity to do the same to our visitors in our today's meeting.

We are meeting here today, a day after the 16th commemoration of our Freedom Day, the day on which bow our heads and observe a moment to ourselves to remember our fallen heroes and heroines whose blood brought about the 27 April 1994.

Colleagues, it is exactly **60** days before the kick off of the 2010 FIFA Soccer World Cup in South Africa later this year. I believe and trust that

you have already purchased your tickets and your vuvuzelas are ready to roar...

Colleagues, getting back to the business of our meeting today, the Sedibeng District Municipality PMT is not pleased with the developments thus far, something that many of us here share.

It will not be okay that we have not as yet displayed any flags at the strategic areas around the District **45 days to the World Cup**. It will not be okay that companies and institutions around the town have already shown their readiness and publicity

In conclusion, I wished to briefly share with you these developments so that you may be aware of them as they are purposely not raised by the protesters.

Let me as well report that we are in constant communication with the MEC for Local Government & Housing and the Minister for Corporative Governance & Traditional Affairs in this regard. Further plans are afoot in an attempt to address these challenges. I will be meeting with Mayor Mshudulu after this meeting to continue with our engagements in this regard

Let me once again recommit ourselves as the Sedibeng District & Emfuleni Local Municipalities that we are more than willing to meet with the Protesters on issues that they raised

I wish us all fruitful deliberations in our engagements today

Ke a leboha!