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LIMPOPO CONCLUDES FIRST PROCESS OF REPATRIATION OF 29 ZIMBABWEAN NATIONALS INVOLVED IN N1 LOUIS TRICHARDT ACCIDENT

The Limpopo Provincial Government has concluded the process leading to the repatriation of 29 Zimbabwean Nationals who were involved in the N1 Louis Trichardt accident on 12 October 2025. They will be transported to Zimbabwe today after all identification procedures were done.

There are still seven (07) children where the process of identification would still to be concluded as it requires specialised DNA identification. The provincial government is working with the Malawi government to finalise their list of 08 bodies that would still need to be repatriated.

The finalisation follows process of families identifying their loved ones on Monday 20 October 2025 where the Premier of Limpopo, Dr Phophi Ramathuba had joined the families as they identified their loved ones.

Said Premier Dr Ramathuba: "We want to thank all teams from both the provincial and national governments that were involved in making this process bearable, helping the two countries in identifying their next of kin. Our words of appreciation go to the two embassies for full cooperation during this difficult processes This in a way would allow families to have closure as they now have an opportunity to bury their loved ones."

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