

## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

### **Unisa statement on City Press article concerning one of its employees, Dr Reshma Mathura.**

**Approved for public release.**

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The University of South Africa (Unisa) rejects with contempt the article published in the City Press edition of Sunday, 11 August 2024, pertaining to an ongoing investigation of a matter affecting its Executive Director of Finance, Dr Reshma Mathura.

The article is a continuation of many such articles since April this year, whose intentions have been and remain to compel the university to conduct its investigations and addressing of matters affecting its employees through the media and other public platforms, contrary to its own policies and practice.

The university reiterates its long-held stance that it does not divulge or give public commentary on any ongoing investigations. Neither does it deal with any disciplinary matters between itself and its employees through the media.

The matter pertaining to Dr Mathura is no exception to this rule. Any engagement between the university and her takes place between designated officials within the university and Dr Mathura and/or her representatives.

Unisa legal services department has appointed a firm of attorneys to investigate allegations of misconduct against Dr Mathura. This investigation is ongoing. She remains suspended pending the finalisation of the investigation.

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