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## MEDIA RELEASE

## PRELIMINARY RESPONSE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES ON THE COMPETITION COMMISION'S INVESTIGATION INTO THE CONDUCT OF FRESH PRODUCE AGENTS

The Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF) has noted the ongoing investigation by the Competition Commission into the conduct of fresh produce agents operating at South Africa's National Fresh Produce Markets (NFPMs). The DAFF has further noted the huge amount of public interest that the media coverage on the matter has generated. However, the DAFF wishes to inform the South African public that the department will not be publicly commenting on the matter until such time that the Competition Commission has finalised its investigation and published its report and findings.

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