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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

SUBJECT: TWO (02) SAMIM FORCE MEMBERS PASSES-ON AND

ONE (01) MEMBER SUFFERS MINOR INJURIES DURING CONTACT WITH TERRORIST IN THE NKONGA AREA IN NANGADE DISTRICT, CABO DELGADO PROVINCE IN

THE REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE

**DATE:** Wednesday, 30 November 2022

EMBARGO: None

SADC Mission in Mozambique (SAMIM) wishes to inform the general public with deep sadness of the passing-on of two (02) of its members. This unfortunate incident happened on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2022 in the general area of Nkonga Village, Nangade District during contact with the Ahlu-Sunnah Wa-Jamaah terrorists.

The two (02) SAMIM members were Sergeant Musa Mpondo from the United Republic of Tanzania Contingent and Lance Corporal Zikamee Kamai from Botswana Defence Force Contingent. One (01) member from United Republic of Tanzania suffered minor injuries and he is recovering well at SAMIM Level II Hospital in Pemba.

The Head of Mission of SAMIM, his Excellency Professor Mpho G. Molomo, SAMIM Force Commander Major General Xolani Mankayi and all SAMIM members wishes to express their heartfelt condolences to the families, friends and colleagues of the deceased servicemen.

SAMIM Force remain committed and resolute to restoring peace and stability in Cabo Delgado Province of the Republic of Mozambique by degrading any form of violent extremism and terrorist activities. SAMIM Force can confirm that terrorists suffered maximum fatalities during this contact as terrorists in excess of thirty (30) were killed and a sizeable number of weapons, ammunition and equipment confiscated

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