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MEDIA RELEASE – UPDATE ON VIOLENCE AT LONMIN  
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### **Two more deaths at Lonmin; police according this high priority**

Lonmin regrets to advise that a further two Lonmin employees have lost their lives in the violent incidents sparked by suspected union rivalry taking place at the mine. This brings the total to four employees who have been killed as a result of the rivalry.

Following the deaths of two security guards on Sunday morning, one more employee was killed on Sunday evening in an ambush as he was going to report for duty. He had a deep laceration to the skull and a fractured jaw.

A fourth employee has been found fatally wounded with five gunshot wounds. We extend our deepest condolences to the families of these men.

The South African Police Service (SAPS) is maintaining a heavy presence at the mine, where the situation remains tense and volatile. Senior SAPS officials, led by provincial police commissioner Lt-Gen Zukiswa Mbombo, are attending to the issues and they are following a number of leads. Operations are running on a reduced basis as employee turnout has been low.

“We are grateful to the SAPS who are prioritising this issue,” remarked Barnard Mokwena, Executive Vice President, Human Capital & External Affairs, “and we are expecting the situation to return to calm, given the level of security on site.”

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Lonmin's operations are situated in the Bushveld Complex in South Africa, where nearly 80% of global PGM resources are found.

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