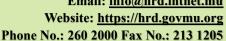
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## Press release

Persistent rumours in recent days suggest that Mr. Wayne Wood, Head of the Horse Racing Division, will leave the country for Australia and not return to Mauritius.

Mr. Wood wishes to deny the information which imputes to him the intention to go, and not to resume his post at the Horse Racing Division.

The Head of the HRD must leave for Australia Mid-August, for a medical follow-up which requires the opinion of a specialist. Ordinarily, he is examined every six months in his native country. Since his arrival in Mauritius, in August last year, he has devoted himself with passion to the task assigned to him to put HRD on track, and ensure that the 2022 season can start for the happiness of Mauritians who love horse racing, and for the two Horse Racing Organisers, namely MTC Sports and Leisure Ltd and People's Turf Plc, to commence operations.

Mr. Wayne Wood undertakes to return to his position after the period he has obtained, which ends early September. He is satisfied that the conditions are in place for the Horse Racing Division to be able to operate at full swing, even during his absence.

In addition, the HRD calls on the media in general to stop with the disinformation revolving around the situation of Wayne Wood by using his health, and assures that he is physically and mentally in condition to fulfil his responsibilities.

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