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# **ATTACHMENT A**

## **SEMI-STRUCTURED INTERVIEW SCHEDULE**

## **A SEMI-STRUCTURED INTERVIEW SCHEDULE (Qualitative phase)**

This interview is aimed at determining social support needs of SANDF members' spouses during external military deployment of the member. Please note that this interview is strictly confidential and to guarantee this, your name will not be disclosed. Please note that there are two sections to this interview namely:

### **Section A: Biographical information**

### **Section B: Response questions**

Please respond to all the questions honestly. Take note that the first answer that comes to mind is the most applicable.

**Thank you for participating in this research!**

### **SECTION A: BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION**

1. Age:
2. Gender:
3. Relationship with the SANDF member:
4. How long have you been in this relationship?
5. Rank of SANDF member:
6. Are you employed?
7. Description of residential area (that is, is it rural or urban).
8. In the past 12 months how often has your spouse deployed?
9. To which country/countries did your spouse deploy?
10. Date of Interview:

## SECTION B: INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

11. Are there any social support services (**In the case of this study, social support services refers to intervention measures (for example, financial management programme, spousal support services such as home visits, phone calls and letters) that are implemented in order to promote the coping skills of the SANDF members' spouses during the external military deployment of the member, thereby enhancing mission readiness**) that were rendered to you during the external deployment of your spouse (That is, before the deployment, during the deployment and after the deployment period)?
12. If the response to the previous question is yes, please describe them (For example, home visit, financial management assistance, crisis management, letter, telephone calls and conflict management).
13. Did this support help you in any way and how?
14. Please describe the type of problems that you experienced during the external deployment of your spouse.
15. Did you contact any person for help?
16. Who will you approach when you experience a problem/need support during the external deployment of your spouse?
17. Did you have any contact with the unit when you experienced problems during the external deployment of your spouse?
18. If the response to question 17 above is yes, please indicate the person you had contact with?



19. What support services would you have wanted if you had a choice (describe in terms of pre, during and post deployment period)?
20. Do you think that units need to know more about the kind of support that spouses of deployed soldiers need?
21. Do you think it is important to ensure that all units' support services to spouses during external deployments are of the same standard and format?
22. Whose responsibility is it to support the spouses of the deployed member (For example, Social Worker, Chaplain, OC and Psychologist)?
23. How do you feel about external military deployment?
24. Is there anything else you would like to tell or ask me?

**Your participation in this research project is highly appreciated. You will be informed about the results of this investigation. Thank you!**



# **ATTACHMENT B**

## **QUESTIONNAIRE**



## **QUESTIONNAIRE ON SOCIAL SUPPORT SERVICES FOR SANDF MEMBERS'S SPOUSES DURING EXTERNAL MILITARY DEPLOYMENT OF THE MEMBER**

This questionnaire is aimed at determining social support needs of SANDF members' spouses during external military deployment of the member. This questionnaire is strictly confidential and to guarantee this, you need not write your name on the questionnaire. Please respond to all the questions honestly. Please read the questions carefully, and then make a cross (X) in the box under the most applicable response. For example:

### 1. Gender

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| Male   | X |
| Female |   |

Other questions will require some explanation.

**Your participation in this research is highly appreciated!**



**SECTION A: BIOGRAPHICAL DATA**

1. Gender

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| Male   | 1 |
| Female | 2 |

2. Age in years \_\_\_\_\_

3. Relationship status

Assistance  
Assistance

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| Legally married    | 1 |
| Customary marriage | 2 |

4. How long have you been in this relationship? Years \_\_\_\_\_

5. What is the occupational status of your spouse?

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| Employed   | 1 |
| Unemployed | 2 |

6. What is your rank?

|                                    |   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Lieutenant Colonel – Major General | 1 |
| 2nd Lieutenant – Major             | 2 |
| Sergeant – Warrant Officer         | 3 |
| Lance Corporal – Corporal          | 4 |
| Private                            | 5 |

7. How long have you been working in the SANDF? Years \_\_\_\_\_

8. During the past 12 months, how long have you been away from home due to external deployments? Months \_\_\_\_\_

9. How many times (often) have you been on external deployment? Times \_\_\_\_\_

10. To which external country/countries did you deploy? **(More than one selection is acceptable)**

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| DRC         | 1 |
| Sudan       | 2 |
| Burundi     | 3 |
| Comores     | 4 |
| Ivory Coast | 5 |

Others (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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11. Did you participate in the preparation for deployment programme?

|     |   |
|-----|---|
| Yes | 1 |
| No  | 2 |

12. If the response to question 11 above is **No**, indicate why not? **(More than one selection is acceptable)**

|  |   |
|--|---|
| I did not have any knowledge about the programme | 1 |
| I was not interested in the programme            | 2 |
| I was not given time to attend the programme     | 3 |

V1

V2

V3

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS RESEARCH!!**





## **ATTACHMENT C**

**LETTER OF PERMISSION FROM DEPARTMENT OF  
INTELLIGENCE IN THE SANDF**



## **ATTACHMENT D**

### **LETTER OF PERMISSION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK IN THE SANDF**



## **ATTACHMENT E**

### **CONFIRMATION LETTERS FROM THE EDITORS**



# **ATTACHMENT F**

## **INFORMED CONSENT**