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South African Gunowners' Association (SAGA) Media Release on the Widespread Looting in South Africa

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SAGA stands united with the government to prevent the current widespread chaos and anarchy in our country. All efforts must be made to prevent innocent civilians getting injured and killed. We strongly urge government to take all steps, irrespective of how harsh, to put an end to the violence and prevent the looting of legitimate businesses.

Excepting for a few units, the police are neither properly trained to deal with the situation, nor properly equipped. Government must ensure that business and people are able to carry on with their usual activities. Crime is not a usual business hence this must stop immediately.

Our constitutional dispensation is clear that people, who feel aggrieved for whatever reason, may peacefully protest. This they may do without being armed, without the destruction of property, and without infringing on the rights of those who do not participate in the protest. Unfortunately, this is not what is currently happening.

Our call to our members (and others who read this message) is to remain calm, remain law-abiding and responsible; however, to be alert and always be prepared to ward off violence and other criminality, should there be no other way out. Members are reminded to not take the law into their own hands but to only protect lives and property in accordance with the legal prescripts.

This media release is issued in the interest of all free and law-abiding citizens, who have the right of choice to possess firearms for lawful purposes.

We urge you to be safe and take care of yourselves – you remain the first respondent to violent crime.

Please Note: The SAGA Office is closed until further notice. Violence and destruction of property in the area have made it unsafe for the staff to keep working.

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