

## **STATEMENT BY THE FW DE KLERK FOUNDATION**

Former President FW de Klerk announced at his 85<sup>th</sup> birthday today that he has been diagnosed with mesothelioma, which is a cancer that affects the tissue that lines the lungs. Mr De Klerk will start a course of immunotherapy next week. There is no immediate threat and we are confident that the treatment will be successful.

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