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### **Eye of Africa takes security the extra mile**

**Johannesburg, 18 August 2009:** Eye of Africa, a luxury residential golf estate located 17km south of Johannesburg's CBD, has chosen a state-of-the-art security system to ensure the safety of residents and the monitoring of all activity on the estate.

The estate's primary security innovation lies in the 7.5 kilometre long clearview fence surrounding the development. The technology used on the fence is a fibre-optic motion detection system (FODS). An intruder or disturbance can be zoned-in to a direct area and the anti-dig detection function alerts security to any interference with the fence from the ground. This allows for a quick and focused response time to a specific location.

The entrance to Eye of Africa is firstly protected by early warning motion beams, alerting security to anything approaching the main entrance. Upon arrival at the estate, no person can obtain access on to the site without fingerprint enrolment at the gate or inside the estate's reception area. This is done to create an adequate audit trail on all access on and off the site. In addition to fingerprints, no person will be allowed into the estate without facial, number plate and overview recording where the data is stored onto an IP-based camera system. All voice, video and fingerprint information are stored digitally to allow proper and safe authorisation of visitors, staff and contractors. PTZ (pan, tilt, zoom) cameras are equipped to identify any threat in close proximity to the entrance area.

An electronic control-room ensures that all electronic and security features are incorporated into a central point. The 24-hour control room is manned by trained operators for all communications. All dispatching of security personnel and a dedicated 24/7 armed response vehicle to areas that require immediate response are managed from here. Security personnel are also tagged with GPS personal locator tracking systems. All communications are also linked to an off-site SAIDSA-approved video and alarm monitoring control room off premise.

"We feel Eye of Africa is equipped with state-of-the-art electronics, combined with highly trained control-room and security personnel to ensure a soft but effectively security solution for the estate" comments Johann Yssel, director, B-Safe electronic security architects and consultants.

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**About Medallist:**

Medallist is a joint venture between Macquarie Group Limited, a global provider of banking, financial, advisory, investment and funds management services, and Greg Norman's Great White Shark Enterprises which has developed a portfolio of amenity-focused lifestyle communities throughout the United States, Australia and South Africa containing over 15,000 residential sites and 270 holes of golf over the past 12 years.

**About Eye of Africa:**

Eye of Africa is Medallist's first private lifestyle golf estate to be developed in South Africa. Medallist Developments is a joint venture between Greg Norman's Great White Shark Enterprises and Macquarie Group Limited – and local players, Pixley World Investments.

Eye of Africa comprises 667ha of land and when completed, the estate will be home to approximately 1 200 freehold stands (Res 1) and 900 sectional title units (Res 3).

Eye of Africa will incorporate hiking and bicycle trails among other healthy lifestyle amenities, within a secured estate environment. The golf course, expertly designed by Greg Norman Golf Course Design, will have minimal impact on the natural environment, by utilising and enhancing the natural landscape features into the shape of the course.

Homes will display a distinct character that complements the site. The architectural vision is to incorporate the use of simple raw materials gleaned from the surrounding Highveld earth fused with European and African designs – all combining into a unique “Afropean” style.

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