

# A farewell to Noko Reagan Mojela

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The familiar voice on the phone, the characteristic and often laconic emails... that is Noko, the Journal mouth piece at Head Office. But he is to leave us and those dulcet electronic tones will not now echo over the Association telephones. Noko came to us in December 2016 and rapidly assimilated the intricacies of the publishing of the South African Dental Journal, assisted no doubt by his BA qualification in Media Studies.

It was clear that Noko truly enjoyed handling much of the incoming correspondence and soon gained sufficient confidence to be reminding the Managing Editor of tasks awaiting attention! He demonstrated a commitment and involvement, frequently making sound judgements and offering sage advice. Always a smile, always a willingness to pile more on his plate, for he also handled much other than the SADJ... but the Journal remained his first love. His interest is most recently shown by his initiative in preparing a Manual for the production of the Journal, a document which will be an invaluable guide for his successor.

Noko is to assume a position at Unisa as a lecturer and he departs from SADA carrying with him the sincere appreciation of the Journal and the good wishes of all who dealt with him at Head Office.



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