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### ASTRAL CEO RETURNS TO OFFICE

**Astral Foods Limited** (Astral), one of South Africa's leading poultry producers, welcomes back its CEO, Chris Schutte after a period of rest and recuperation. Chris suffered a mild heart attack in June 2015 whilst on an official visit to Paris, France where he formed part of a South African Government and industry delegation engaged in talks around US poultry imports and the AGOA renewal.

Chris underwent medical treatment following the heart attack, and after a period of time has been declared fit to resume his duties as Astral's CEO.

Dr. Theuns Eloff, Chairman of the Astral Board, commented: "It is good to have Chris back and to know that he can continue with his duties as CEO. I never had any doubts that this would not be the case."

Chris Schutte concluded: "I am happy to be back to pick up the reins and I would like to thank the Astral team for their support, as well as the numerous people who expressed their concern for my wellbeing and best wishes for a speedy recovery."

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