The National Civic Remembrance Sunday and Wreath-laying ceremony

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National Civic Remembrance Service and a wreathlaying ceremony were held at the Cenotaph in Harrison Street, Johannesburg to pay tribute to and commemorate the South African soldiers who perished during World War I. The theme was: "Unification and Nation Building".

The 2014 Commemoration marked the 100th anniversary of the start of World War I (1914-1918), the war that claimed the lives of 12 452 South African soldiers. The commemoration in Johannesburg is the largest of its kind in South Africa,



ABOVE: Councillor Parks Tau, the Executive Mayor of the City of Johannesburg, laying a wreath.



ABOVE: Maj Gen Michael Ramantswana, Chief Military Policy, Strategy and Planning, laid a wreath on behalf of the Chief of the SANDF, Gen Solly Shoke.

and links with Remembrance Day events held in many cities around the world. It is held annually on the Sunday nearest to 11 November (Armistice Day).

The Executive Mayor of the City of Johannesburg, Councillor Parks Tau, accompanied by senior SANDF