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CELE CONDEMNS THE SHOOTING AT NKANDLA PENSION PAYOUT LEAVING 16 PEOPLE INJURED

KZN MEC for Transport, Community safety and Liaison Mr Bheki Cele has robustly condemned the shooting of the Fidelity car that happened at Lindela Store in Inkandla pension payout this morning (01/04/09) leaving 16 victims injured.

According to preliminary reports received, it is alleged that the suspects were standing in the line like everyone else, when they started shooting randomly towards the car with cash. It is alleged that the suspects took all the boxes of money and guns belonging to the security guards and fled the scene with five small cars. 16 people were shot, 2 being security guards and 2 seriously injured reported to be a 70 year old man and woman aged 80. The police that were at the scene together with the EMRS found empty cartridges belonging to an AK47 gun. Later during the day at Jameson Drift Bridge near Zombe, 3 cars (2 Toyota Tazz and Ford Focus) that were used as escape cars were recovered abandoned and had been reported stolen. A case of robbery and attempted murder has been open pending police investigation.

“This criminal act by these hooligans is unspeakable and appalling .The police will work tirelessly to ensure that these perpetrators are found and put behind bars

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where they belong. The police will leave no stone unturned in bringing these criminals down,” said Cele

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