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ATTENTION: NEWS EDITORS/ REPORTERS

MEC MCHUNU TO UNLEASH OPERATION HLASELA TO THE INANDA, NTUZUMA AND KWAMASHU AREA (INK)

To roll out the 'Building a United Front Against Crime' programme of the KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Government, the Department of Community Safety and Liaison is unleashing 'Operation Hlasela' to the INK area. On **Friday**, **17 September 2010**, Operation Hlasela will be launched at the area as follows:

Time: 09h30Venue: KwaMashu, L Section Hall, Durban

This time around, the MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison Mr. Willies Mchunu is teaming up with EThekwini Municipality's Safer Cities Unit to take this initiative to this area of Durban as a lot of shocking criminal incidents have been reported there.

This will result in a programme of action for interventions that will lead to the reduction of crime being developed. It is important to note that crime statistics of 2009/2010 and media reports reveal a high rate of crime, especially Trio-crimes (murder, car jacking and house breaking) in the INK area that are amongst the highest in the country. This is a concern not only for provincial government, but for National government as well.

Among those invited are members of the Community Safety Portfolio Committee (KZN), members of the KZN legislature, SAPS at provincial and local levels, Community Policing Forums, councilors, business, political parties represented in the areas, and various other community structures.

Members of the media are invited to attend this launch to find out about the programme of action to be followed going forward in the INK area to address issues pertaining to reported crimes.

For more information, please contact Mr. Kwanele Ncalane, Media Liaison Officer to the MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison on 079 699 5755.

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