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## MEDIA STATEMENT

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### **MEC MCHUNU CONDEMNS THE KILLING OF INDUNA AT FOLWENI**

MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison Mr. Willies Mchunu condemns the shooting and killing of Folweni iNduna yesterday (09/10/11) morning.

Preliminary reports reveal that Walter Makhanya (70) was shot dead at his home in Kwankonka, Folweni. It is alleged that three attackers broke into house at about 7am, shot him and ran away. Makhanya died on the scene. Mchunu also commends good work by the police in re-acting swiftly in apprehending the suspects. Three men were arrested at KwaMakhutha in possession of a 9mm gun. A case of murder has been opened and the gun has been taken for ballistic testing.

**“We commend a swift reaction from the police we also welcome the co-operation from the community. At this stage we do not want to draw any conclusion on the motive of the killing. We are satisfied that police have made an arrest; therefore we hope investigators will leave no stone unturned in this matter. I appeal to the community of Folweni to rise and work with the police in fighting and defeating crime in the area. I also wish to send my condolences to the Makhanya family,”** said Mchunu

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