

## **MEDIA UPDATE**

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ATTENTION : NEWS EDITORS/REPORTERS AND PR WIRE

## MEC MCHUNU UPSET BY THE KILLING OF THREE IN NONGOMA

KZN MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mr Willies Mchunu has learnt with great shock the killing of three people at Vuna, in Kwanongoma at the weekend

Preliminary reports revealed that three people were shot dead at the Vuna area. It is alleged that among the dead was a couple who was visiting a friend when they met with this incident. The other body was the friend whom they were visiting. Cyril Khumalo (male) was shot on the head and chest while both females Zinhle Buthelezi and Sisana Buthelezi were shot on the head.

Khumalo was out on bail on charges of attempted murder and the motive of the killing is still unknown.

The police found 15 cartridges from a 9mm and four cartridges from the AK47.

Mchunu described the incident as cruel:

"I am upset about the killing of these three people. This is inhumane and cruel. No matter what the motive is, but blood shed is never a solution. We urge the police to get to the bottom of this case and leave no stone unturned. I am calling on the community of KwaNongoma to assist the police in finding the perpetrators. This senseless killing is unacceptable. We are also worried that people are armed and we are going to intensify our campaign to collect all illegal fire arms. I would like to send my condolences the families of the deceased" said Mchunu.

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