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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT**  
**UMNYANGO WEZOKUTHUTHA**

**MEDIA ALERT**

TO : ALL MEDIA  
DATE : 17 OCTOBER 2012  
ATTENTION : NEWS EDITORS/ EDITORS AND PR WIRE

**MEC MCHUNU TO BE PART OF A MULTI-DISCIPLINARY ROAD BLOCK**  
**AT MARIANHILL PLAZA**

MEC for Transport, Community and Liaison Mr. Willies Mchunu will tomorrow (18/10/2012) be part of a multi-disciplinary road block to be conducted at Marianhill toll plaza to strengthen its enforcement capacity to the maximum to ensure zero tolerance on the road this October Transport month and beyond.

As part of the transport month activities, KZN RTI officers including members of the Public Transport Enforcement Unit (PTEU) will be out in full force embarking on an intensive road block under Operation Valingozi, which is an initiative by the KZN Department of Transport to curb road accidents and to get rid of all unroadworthy vehicles on the road.

In the past this integrated approach to road blocks has yielded desirable results, tackling transgressions and crime simultaneously. This is a clear indication that the provincial Transport Department is serious about reducing road carnage. Multi-disciplinary road blocks will also include SAPS, Customs (SARS) and municipal traffic authorities. This year's operations will be focusing on testing drivers for alcohol and fitness, testing vehicle roadworthiness, operating licences for public transport and speeding.

The Department is on a campaign to mobilize all people of KwaZulu-Natal to rally behind its road safety initiative which has been dubbed, Operation Valingozi, which seeks to revive consciences of all road users to respect and obey traffic laws.

The details are as follows

**DATE : 18 October 2012**  
**VENUE : MARIANHILL TOLL PLAZA**  
**TIME : 07:00-11:00am**

Members of the media are invited

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