

MEDIA UPDATE

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## MCHUNU PLEASED WITH THE MEETING HELD BETWEEN UMKHOMAZI AND VULAMEHLO

KZN MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mr Willies Mchunu has welcomed an initiative by two disputing associations Umkhomazi and Vulamehlo to meet and resolve their differences.

Following a meeting held today (30 January 2012) at the Umkhomazi police station, the two associations made a commitment to engage and settle their differences and to ensure stability in the industry.

Today's meeting is subsequent to the department's intervention following the confrontation and tensions involving the three associations Umkhomazi, Thuthukani and Vulamehlo that led to the death of Phumlani Ndaba an operator, last week.

Mchunu also expressed his satisfaction that operations are back to normal

"The fact that Umkhomazi and Vulamehlo taxi association have agreed to resolve their differences is an important development. We condemn in the strongest term any form of violence and threats of intimidation in the taxi industry. As the department we will always avail ourselves to offer any support in resolving tensions and ensuring stability in the Taxi industry", said Mchunu.

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