

## **MEDIA INVITE**

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ATTENTION : NEWS EDITORS/REPORTERS AND PR WIRE

## MEC MCHUNU APPLAUDED POLICE FOR THE ARREST OF THE MOST WANTED CRIMINALS IN MARRIANHILL.

KZN MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mr. Willies Mchunu has applauded the police for making a break through and arresting the most wanted and dangerous suspects in Marrianhill.

On Saturday (24 March 2012) police arrested two members of a notorious gang. Subsequent to this arrest police on Monday (26 March 2012) also arrested three members from the same gang.

The five appeared at the Pinetown magistrate Court today (28 March 2012) and the case was reminded for next month.

It is alleged that the five suspects were behind the killing of a local taxi driver who was killed two months ago by a group who are believed to be members of the gang went to the place of the taxi driver and gunned him down as revenge for their member.

According to police the gang has been wanted for some time for a series of crimes ranging from murder, attempted murder, house breaking and rape.

Mchunu expressed satisfaction on the work of the police in apprehending these most wanted suspects

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"I want to commend the police for the good work. This once again proves that our police posse necessary skills, capacity and expertise to deal with serious crimes. This is an important break through and we will be monitoring any developments in this case. The area of Marrianhilll is known for its notorious gangs however we commend the police and the community for the good work of ensuring safety within the community. Since we launched Operation Hlasela following the spate of killing taking place in Marrianhill last year there has been progress and stability, "said Mchunu.

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