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MEDIA ADVISORY

TO : ALL MEDIA
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ATTENTION : NEWS EDITORS, EDITORS AND PR WIRES

MEC MCHUNU TO BID FAREWELL TO THE PHONGOLA 7 WHO DIED IN A CAR CRASH

MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mr. Willies Mchunu will join mourners at a mass funeral on Saturday (21 December 2013) to bid farewell to the seven who died in a gruesome road accident which happened on the N2 in Mdonini near Pongola.

Reports reveal that on the 12th December 2013, a taxi carrying passengers tried to overtake and collided head-on with a Toyota Tazz, which was carrying five passengers. The taxi which allegedly had 18 passengers lost two of its occupants; the driver and one female passenger who died in hospital. Five of the male occupants in the Toyota Tazz died on the scene. The 16 other occupants in the minibus taxi are said to be in a critical state and are receiving medical care at Itshelejuba hospital.

Mchunu will be accompanied by the senior departmental officials, religious leaders, the families of the deceased and the community of Pongola.

Details of the Mass Funeral:

Date: 21 December 2013
Venue: Pongola-Mkhwakhweni (next to Khulumel'uZulu High School)
Time: 10h00

Media are invited to attend.

Ends.

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