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### **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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### **MCHUNU SADDENED AT THE DEATH OF TOURISTS IN NORTHERN KZN**

The MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mr. Willies Mchunu, has expressed his sadness at the death of three people including two tourists from the United States of America in a road accident over the weekend.

Preliminary reports have revealed that yesterday (Sunday, 17 August 2014) on the N2 Nkodibe road, two Hyundai vehicles collided head-on and left three people dead on impact. The other three occupants were then taken to Bay Hospital to receive medical care. The relevant authorities are currently working to identify next of kin.

**"We are saddened by the death of the three road users including tourists. It is underscores the unfortunate continuation of the road carnage that has made us call on all road users to accept that 'Road safety is our collective responsibility'. This means we all have the responsibility to ensure that road traffic rules are strictly respected to safeguard the lives of everyone. On behalf of the government, I would like to send my deepest condolences to the families of those who lost their loved ones in this accident,"** said Mchunu.

Mchunu meanwhile applauded the good work of the Road Traffic Inspectorate officers for suspending 23 vehicles during their enforcement programming focusing on heavy motor vehicles in Pietermaritzburg over the weekend.

**“This is the type of stepped up law enforcement activity we spoke about in the Transport Budget Vote last Thursday in the Legislature. We will be intensifying these campaigns and touch all sectors of society,”** said Mchunu.

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