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MEC MCHUNU CONDEMNS THE SHOOTING OF A TAXI OPERATOR BETWEEN WEENEN AND COLENZO

THE KWAZULU-NATAL MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Willies Mchunu, has condemned in the strongest possible terms the murder of a taxi owner who was shot dead at Kuthuleni Road between Weenen and Colenso on Wednesday 20 January 2016.

Mr. Nkululeko Mabaso (52) and another victim were driving along R74, Ekuthuleni road, when they were shot by unknown suspects. Mr. Mabaso died on the scene and the other victim sustained injuries in the left arm and was taken to hospital for medical attention. Charges of murder and attempted murder were opened at Colenso SAPS for investigation and no arrest has been made.

“We strongly condemn this callous murder. The police and the public transport team will closely monitor the case and determine the causes of the attacks while ensuring that the killers are arrested and convicted. On behalf of the government, I wish to send my deepest condolences to the family and friends of Mr. Mabaso,” said Mchunu.

This report comes after MEC Mchunu and greater Newcastle taxi industry sealed a major deal to end conflict and bring stability in the taxi operations. It also comes as the Department is working flat-out to end the deadly conflict in KwaNdengezi and Zwelibomvu taxi associations.

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