

MEDIA STATEMENT

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MEC KAUNDA CALLS FOR SWIFT ARREST OF SUSPECTS LINKED TO THE MURDER OF FOUR TEENAGERS IN PIETERMARITZBURG

The KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mxolisi Kaunda has called upon the police to strain every nerve in finding suspects who killed four teenagers in Sobantu over the weekend who are linked to an Indlamu group.

According to preliminary reports the four teenagers aged 12-16 years were members of ***Abadlovozi***, which is a Traditional dance group (Indlamu) in Sobantu. They were attacked inside a house at an informal settlement near Sobantu by an unknown gunmen.

Three members of the dance group died on the scene and the fourth victim died upon arrival at the hospital.

The MEC has expressed his deepest condolences to the families of the deceased and asked the police to speed up the investigation and work around the clock to ensure that those responsible for the murder are brought to book. "It's very sad to lose so many young lives in such a brutal manner. We cannot allow such heartless criminals to continue roaming the streets and we must all close ranks and find the suspects," said Kaunda.

Kaunda has called upon members of the community to assist the special task team that has been set up by the police to investigate the incident by sharing information that could lead to the arrest of the suspects. He has also called for calm and asked the police to intensify visibility in the area to prevent revenge attacks.

The MEC will visit the families of the deceased tomorrow (02-09-2018) at 1pm and assess the state of security in the area.

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