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### **MEDIA RELEASE**

**Monday, 30 August 2021**

### **TWO ROAD TRAFFIC INSPECTORS AMBUSHED AND KILLED, ALONG THE N2**

KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Ms Neliswa Peggy Nkonyeni sends messages of condolences to the families of the Road Traffic Inspectorate inspectors who were shot and killed while on duty on Monday, 30 August 2021.

Two officers stationed at uMtubatuba RTI, whilst on duty at the N2 onramp to Nkodibe around 18h30, were ambushed by unknown suspects. They were also dispossessed of their state service firearms.

When this incident occurred Traffic Inspectors, Sithole 48 and Lamula 36 were in the car. The matter was reported by a community member who also happens to be a member of the South African Police Services after hearing gunshots. The victims were found dead on the scene.

MEC Nkonyeni is extremely disheartened by this senseless killing of the officers. She has called for the police to speed-up the investigation into this matter in order for the perpetrators to be brought to book as soon as possible.

"Incidents like this instil fear and demoralises our hardworking employees. This also has a ripple effect on level of services that we are providing. As the Department of Transport, we feel a great loss. We once again send our condolences to the families of the deceased," said MEC Nkonyeni.

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