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## **Media Advisory**

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### **LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES PLACED ON HIGH ALERT TO PROACTIVELY FIGHT CRIME AND TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS AHEAD OF THE DECEMBER 16 LONG WEEKEND**

The KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Sipho Hlomuka has warned road users that heavy police deployment has been assigned throughout the province to maintain law and order ahead of the December 16 long weekend.

This deployment is part of the integrated festive season safety plan. It encompasses proactive policing in communities and heightened traffic law enforcement to curb the scourge of crashes and fatalities. Starting from today; Thursday, 15 December 2022 the provincial law enforcement authorities are monitoring the influx of people moving in and out of the province.

The high volume of traffic is also informed by the fact that schools are closing, and major industries are also closing today.

Already several operations have been mounted in the province, with arrests made of wanted-dangerous suspects and a number of vehicles are being stopped and searched.

"We have set clear targets of addressing decisively the serious crime categories. These include murder, attempted murder, rape, business robberies, cash-in transit heists and gender-based violence. Police are heavily deployed in all crime hotspot areas in the province. Equally an integrated approach is being implemented to address lawlessness on the road. As the province, we are determined to reduce the levels of crashes and fatalities associated with the festive season holidays. We strongly appeal to road users and communities to respect traffic regulations and to work with the police in building a safer KwaZulu-Natal" said Hlomuka.

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