Ground-breaking agreement on the Future of Uber-Bolt-Taxi and e-Hailing drivers in KZN: Duma sends a highly motivated team from Public Regulatory Entity to a meeting with KZN e-Hailing Council, KwaDabeka Taxi and Clermont Taxi Association and SAPS

Media and Public Statement by the MEC for Transport and Human Settlements, Siboniso Duma

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Inkosi Mhlabunzima Maphumulo House: Following the shooting and assault of e-hailing drivers, we are encouraged by positive developments in KK Section, KwaDabeka.

We wish to pay tribute to e-hailing drivers, taxi drivers, and taxi operators from KwaDabeka and Clermont Taxi Association for their commitment towards ensuring peace and stability in the area.

This will not only strengthen the public transport system but will also ensure that they co-exist.

Our highly dedicated and motivated team from the Department's Public Regulatory Entity (PRE) was part of today's meeting facilitated by the South African Police Service.

Taking place at KwaDabeka Police Station the meeting agreed on following:-

- Harmonizing relations and ensuring co-existence between e-hailing drivers and taxi-operators and taxi drivers;
- Working together to ensure long-lasting solutions in order to achieve, peace and stability within the public transport sector in the KwaDabeka and Clermont;
- Traffic enforcement of law in order to strengthen the transport system and ensure its safety;
- Rollout of Multidisciplinary Roadblocks involving KZN E-hailing Council, KwaDabeka /Clermont Association, SAPS, Road Traffic Inspectorate and Metro Police to root out illegal operators. (Drivers who do not have an app and taxi operators who do not have permits).
- Updating all stakeholders about the implementation of e-hailing regulations contained in the amended National Land Transport Act.

We thank the Police Commissioner Lt General Nhlanhla Mkhwanazi for deploying the National Intervention Unit to ensure stability in the area.

We have agreed to work together to stabilize other areas where there is harrassment and extortion of e-hailing drivers by criminal elements.

We want e-hailing drivers and taxi drivers to live comfortably and have access to our housing schemes such as First Home Buyer scheme for households with an income of between R3000 and R22 000.

We reiterate our message that nothing should come between the people of KwaZulu-Natal and prosperity.

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