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Briefing to the Portfolio Committee on Police

Progress Report on the Safer Festive Season

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Background



- It is a norm that during the festive season there is an increase in the movement of people in South Africa, due to tourism, holidays, and the increase of activities at places of entertainment, shopping centres and migrant workers returning to their homes. This is also a period when Ports of Entry are very busy because of the movement of persons in and out of the Republic of South Africa.
- Major events, such as Sporting, Social, Cultural, Religious and Political are planned around or in the festive season period. These activities, associated with the festive season are unfortunately being used by criminals to terrorise society.
- The Minister of Police launched the National Safer Festive Season for 2018/2019, on 2 November 2018, in Port Elizabeth at Motherwell (NU2 Stadium), with the theme "**Quiet Storm**" and the mission will be "**Zero tolerance to Crime**".



A National Multi-Disciplinary roadblock took place, on the evening of 2 November 2018, on the N3 corridor, at the Van Reenens Pass, in the Free State, Gauteng and KwaZulu-Natal.

All the nine provincial launches/roll-out of the safer festive season campaign, are aligned to the **#NationalSafetyFriday** Campaign approach. The SAPS has been embarking on the **#SafetyFriday**, since 2 November 2018.

The launch was followed by operations, which will continue, until 31 January 2019 and will involve all the JCPS Cluster departments.



Background (3)

- This plan compliments the current National JCPS Operation Mutingati (Operation Fiela), including all the other interventions:
- JCPS Economic Stimulus Implementation Plan.
 - Anti-Gangsterism Operations.
 - Emanguzi Presidential Intervention for Cross-Border Operations.
 - GANOLIMP CIT Operations/roll out to all provinces.
 - The Border Management Agency (BMA) plan.
 - OR Tambo Implementation Plan rolled out to the other identified Ports of Entry.
 - Protection of administrators and officials in North West Province, including AGSA officials country-wide.
 - SASSA and Post Office.
 - Operation Buya Mthetho in Gauteng.
 - Arrive-Alive campaign.
- Identified focal provinces:
- Gauteng.
 - Western Cape.
 - KwaZulu-Natal.
 - Eastern Cape.

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Operational Approach



All the threats and possibilities will be addressed under the six pillar approach, as reflected below:

→ **Pillar One: Combating Aggravated/Armed Robberies ,CIT (Trio Crimes), Murder, inclusive of taxi violence and conduct high visibility operations at all businesses:**

- Conduct high visibility operations at all business (shopping malls and small business enterprises) premises and residential premises to combat business and house robberies, bank robberies, carjacking, cash in transit and ATM bombings.
- Tracing and arrest of wanted suspects.
- Confiscating and recoveries of illegal firearms and ammunition.

Successes since the commencement of the Operation Safer Festive Season:

- Aggravated robberies: 50 arrested. The provinces with the most arrests, were the EC with 31, WC with 8, NC with 6 and KZN with 4 arrests.



Operational Approach: Pillar 2

→ **Pillar Two: Proliferation of Firearms, Liquor, Drugs and Gangsterism; Illegal Immigration; Illicit Economy and Ferrous and Non-ferrous Metal Theft and Second-hand Goods and Safety at Sports and Recreational Events Act (SASREA):**

- Enforcement activities against Liquor outlets contributing to crime; Illegal liquor outlets and shebeens; Abuse of alcohol and drugs; Drinking in public.
- Policing of special events such as Beach Festivals/Street parties/Matric results/Music festivals, etc. in terms of SASREA.
- Monitor overcrowding and prevent crime at public places i.e. beaches, shopping malls and shopping centres.
- Compliance inspections to be conducted at identified Second-hand goods stores.

Successes since the commencement of the Operation Safer Festive Season:

- Illegal firearms and ammunition: 44 arrested. The provinces with the highest number of arrests, were KZN with 22, WC with 8, and EC with 6 arrests, 43 illegal firearms and 395 rounds were confiscated.
- Liquor Act related arrests: 1 265 arrested. The provinces with the highest number of arrests, were NC with 565, KZN with 276, LIM 129 and WC with 125 arrests.
- Drinking in public/Drunk in public place: 820 arrested. The provinces with the highest number of arrests, were NC with 563, LIM with 95, EC with 52 and WC with 44 arrests.
- Drug related crimes: 917 arrested. The provinces with the highest number of arrests, were KZN with 388, WC with 205, EC 161 and GP with 83 arrests.
- A total of 1 078 events were categorised nationally without any negative incidents, GP leading with 500, WC with 165 and KZN with 132



Operational Approach: Pillar 3

→ **Pillar Three: Crimes against Women, Children and Vulnerable Persons, Murder, Sexual Offences, etc.:**

- Conduct Crime Awareness Campaigns.
- Implement the 16 Days of activism programmes.
- Intensifying programmes like victim charter and anti-drug campaigns.
- Enhance missing children programmes, mainly at recreational focus areas.
- Execution of warrant of arrests.

Successes since the commencement of Operation Safer Festive Season:

- Awareness campaigns:
 - Crimes against women and children: 1 186.
 - Domestic violence: 1 956.
 - Sexual offences: 933.
 - Trafficking in persons: 219.
 - Vulnerable groups, including elderly and persons living with disability: 941.
- The national launch of the 16 Days of activism (25 November to 10 December 2018), took place at Mthonjaneni Municipality in KZN, on 25 November 2018.



Operational Approach: Pillar 4

→ **Pillar Four: Enforcement of by-laws, e.g. Hijacked buildings, unlawful sale of fire crackers, etc.**

- Ensure compliance with relevant Municipal by-laws.
- To review current Municipal by-laws with the view to identify gaps.
- To initiate Municipal by-laws in areas where they are not available.



Operational Approach: Pillar 5

→ **Pillar Five: Enforcing Road Safety, e.g. Drunken driving, speeding, driving of unroadworthy vehicles.**

- Participate in joint operations with the Department of Transport to implement the Arrive-Alive Campaign.
- Enhance operations and highway patrols, focussing on:
 - Drunken driving and traffic-related offences.

Successes since the commencement of the Operation Safer Festive Season:

- Road Traffic Agency: 511 arrested. The provinces, contributing the most, are LIM with 155, GP with 127, MP with 99 and KZN with 72 arrests.



Operational Approach: Pillar 6

→ **Pillar Six: Enhancing Border Security, searching of stolen property crossing the borders, drugs, human trafficking, tracing of wanted suspects, etc.**

- Conducting searches to control movement of goods and persons.
- Combat transnational crimes.
- Enhance security at borderlines and Ports of Entry, focussing on illicit drugs and human trafficking; Stolen Vehicles; Illegal Firearms; Illegal Immigrants; wanted suspects; Counterfeit goods; Illegal cigarettes and Stock Theft.
- Conduct Border line operations, led by the SANDF (Operation Corona).
- Patrol and monitor identified air fields and air strips.
- Land and Maritime Border Patrols.

Successes since the commencement of Operation Safer Festive Season

- Undocumented migrants: 390 arrests. The provinces, which contributed the most, are LIM with 224, KZN with 72, and GP with 23 arrests.



Other eminent successes:

- Assault common and GBH: 496 arrested. The highest contributing provinces are KZN with 253, WC with 114, NC with 57 and GP with 23 arrests.
- Other arrests: 1 394 arrested. The highest contributing provinces are, KZN with 449, LIM with 328, NC with 275 and WC with 175 arrests.

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Operational Concept



Operational Concept: Phase 1

The operation must be implemented following 5 phases:

→ **Phase 1: Pre-Holiday Season (25 October – 30 November 2018)**

- Implementation School Safety Plan.
- Visibility at Examination Centres.
- Visibility at warehouses.
- Escort of examination papers.
- Post examination celebrations.
- Enforcement of the SASREA Act.
- Enforcement of the Road Safety Act.
- Enforcement of the Second-hand Goods Act.
- Enforcement of the Stock Theft Act.
- Enforcement of the Firearm and Liquor Act.
- Prevention and combating of substance abuse.
- Conduct awareness campaign.
- Enforcement of legislation addressing gender-based violence and crimes against children (including the Domestic Violence Act, 1998; the Criminal Law (sexual Offences and Related Matters) Amendment Act, 2007; Children's Act, 2005 Arrests of wanted suspects.
- Enforcement of bi-laws.
- Implementation of the Arrive-Alive Campaign.



Operational Concept: Phase 1 (continued)

Phase 1: Pre-Holiday Season (25 October to 30 November 2018):

- Road Safety:
 - Vehicle-control points will be implemented to combat drunken driving, unlicensed driving, overloading and illegal firearms.
 - Roadblocks on the national and provincial roads.
 - Stop and searches.
 - Enforcement of bi-laws.
 - Implementation of the Arrive-Alive Campaign, led by the Department of Transport.
- Crime Prevention:
 - Visibility at all shopping malls.
 - Implementation of Operation GANOLIMP.
 - Safeguarding and escorting of the SASSA grants.
 - Combating of aggravated robberies, cash-in-transit robberies and cross-pavement robberies.
 - Implementation of the 16 Days of Activism (25 November 2018 to 10 December 2018).
 - Conduct simultaneous operations country-wide **#Safety Fridays**.
 - Enforcement of the Second-hand Goods Act.



Operational Concept: Phase 2

→ **Phase 2: Start of Holiday Season (1 to 15 December 2018):**

(Year-end closing of industries/mines, businesses and increased movement of people)

- Enhance visibility at industrial areas and mines.
- Establish points and visits to private security companies.
- Implementation of Rural Safety.
- Conduct patrols and visibility at holiday destinations.
- Enhance Border security.
- Conducting Roadblocks, Vehicle-control Points and Cordon and Search operations.
- Enforcement of the SASREA Act.
- Enforcement of the Road Safety Act.
- Prevention and combating of substance abuse.
- Conduct awareness campaigns.
- Enforcement of legislation, addressing gender-based violence and crimes against children
(including the Domestic Violence Act, 1998; Criminal Law (sexual Offences and Related Matters)
Amendment Act, 2007; Children's Act, 2005.
- Enforcement of bi-laws.
- Implementation of the Arrive-Alive Campaign.



Operational Concept: Phase 3

→ **Phase 3: Holiday Season (16 December 2018 to 2 January 2019):**

- Enhanced visibility through integrated operations.
- Establish points and visits to private security companies.
- Implementation of Rural Safety.
- Conduct patrols and visibility at holiday destinations.
- Conduct Roadblocks, Vehicle Control Points and Cordon and Search operations.
- Prevention and combating of substance abuse.
- Conduct awareness campaign.
- Enforcement of legislation, addressing gender-based violence and crimes against children (including the Domestic Violence Act, 1998; Criminal Law (sexual Offences and Related Matters) Amendment Act, 2007; Children's Act, 2005.
- Enforcement of bi-laws.
- Implementation of the Arrive-Alive Campaign.



Operational Concept: Phases 4 and 5

→ **Phase 4: End of Holiday Season (3 January to 16 January 2019):**

- Road-safety enforcement.
- Border security.
- Aggravated robberies.
- Tracing of suspects.
- Roadblocks and VCPs.
- Announcement of matric results with the resultant parties for students who passed.

→ **Phase 5: Post Holiday Season (17 January to 31 January 2019):**

- Exodus from other provinces and neighbouring countries.
- Registration of students at universities.
- Enforcement of the Second-hand Goods Act.
- Aggravated robberies.
- National Election 2019 – Correctional Services Election registration weekend.
- National Election 2019 – Voter's registration weekend.

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National Programme



Developed a National programme for previously mentioned concepts in terms of date, place and time i.e.:

- Enforcement of road safety.
- Visibility at shopping malls.
- Inspection of second-hand goods shops.
- Cordon and search of specific identified areas.
- Combating aggravated or armed robberies.
- Addressing cross-border crimes.

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