



AUDITOR - GENERAL
SOUTH AFRICA

Threats of intimidation

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MISSION

“The Auditor-General of South Africa has a constitutional mandate and, as the Supreme Audit Institution (SAI) of South Africa, it exists to strengthen our country’s democracy by enabling oversight, accountability and governance in the public sector through auditing, thereby building public confidence.”



VISION

“To be recognised by all our stakeholders as a relevant Supreme Audit Institution (SAI) that enhances public sector accountability.”



Summary relates to the various strikes that affected the audit process:

1. KZN, **Zululand and Ulundi municipality (August 2019)**, service delivery strikes by the community affected the audit team while proceeding to the lodge/guest house.
2. KZN, **Umhlathuze municipality (September 2019)**, contractors strike at the municipality due to non payments. The audit was not affected by the strike, the audit continued during the day of strike.
3. EC , **Amathole District Municipality (September 2019)**, planned strike action, audit team continued working and was on alerted to evacuate.
4. EC , **Umtata (September 2019)**, audit team was caught in a strike, extracted and worked from the B & B.
5. EC , **Amahlathi Municipality (September 2019)** , due to municipal management held hostage and disruptions by employees it affected the audit team from working and delayed the schedule start of the audit.
6. EC, **King Sabata Dalinyebo Municipality (October 2019)** , municipal employees strike during audit. Team extract and worked off site.
7. MP, **Buschbuck Ridge Local Municipality, Mpumalanga (November 2019)**, peaceful strike by community at the ANCs office which is located in the same building audit being conducted. The strike affected the audit as the team was evacuated from the building by the SAPS.



Strike action (August 2019 to November 2019) :

Business Unit	Number of Incidents
MP	1
KZN	2
EC	4
Other regions	0
Total	7

Summary of Threats & Intimidations, Others & Bribery

1. Nat D, **Rand Water Office: Johannesburg (August 2019)**, employees from Rand water intimidated 2 AGSA employees on audit findings and alleged that they are costing them their bonuses
2. KZN, **outside AGSA offices, (October 2019)**, CFO from Mpopana Local Municipality offered the AGSA manager a bribe, the matter was escalated and a case opened with the SAPS
3. MP. **Victor Khanye Local Municipality, (October 2019)**, MM informed the audit team that they might be kidnapped due to audit finds on SCM tenders
4. EC, **Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality (November 2019)** , threat of a news paper article left at the office utilised by audit team . Article relates to councillor that was fatally shot and second article on treasury recalling funds to the municipality which is being audited



Summary continued

5. MP, **Msukaligwa Local Municipality (October 2019)**, unreasonable questions from municipal employees to audit team that could compromise their safety and security
6. EC, **Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality (October 2019)**, audit manager received a call from an unknown person on her home private number, whistle-blower furnishing information on the MM
7. EC, **Mhlontlo Local Municipality in Qumbu (October 2019)**, undesirable statements by the municipal employee to the AGSA audit manager on the findings issued
8. KZN, **Umfolozu municipality (November 2019)**, xenophobic / hate speech by municipal employee to a member of the contracted in team of the AGSA (cwc)



MFMA 2019(August 2019 – 10 November 2019)

Business unit	Incident no	Type of incident
Nat D	1	Threat and intimidation: AGSA will cost them lost in their bonuses - Rand water Johannesburg
MP	2	Other: Whistle blower - Victor Khanye Municipality Other: Inappropriate statement to the AGSA staff – Msukaligwa Local Municipality
KZN	2	Bribery: CFO from Mpofana Local Municipality offered the AGSA manager Other: Xenophobic/hate speech by municipal employee towards AGSA CWC - Umfolozi Municipality
EC	3	Other: An article was left at the office utilised by the AGSA - Nelson Mandela Bay Metro Municipality Other : Whistle blower – Buffalo City Municipality Other: Inappropriate statement to the AGSA audit manager by municipal employee –Mhlontlo Local Municipality in Qumbu.
Other regions	0	
Total	8	

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Thank you

