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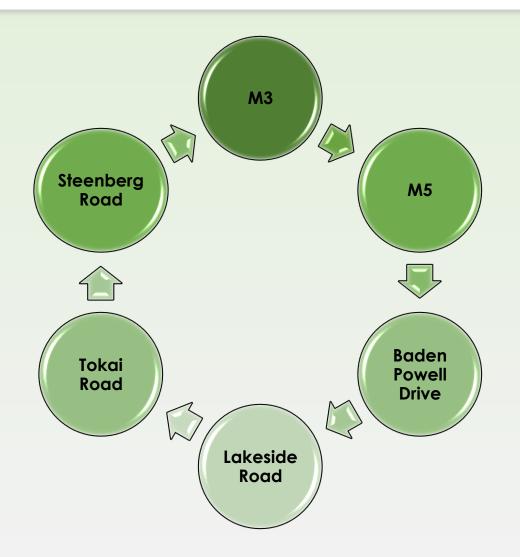
POLICE PRISONER TRANSPORT
BRIEFING TO STANDING COMMITTEE
25 AUGUST 2020

## **BACKGROUND**

- Complaint received from MPP
- Investigated in terms of Sections 16(2) & 17(2) of the Act
- ❖Notice for comments in terms of Section 17(3) of Act
- Published in newspapers & on radio
- ♦96 comments



### FINDINGS: MAIN ROADS





#### FINDINGS: CASES & INCIDENTS

# Cases

Strand CAS 293/09/2008

**Muizenberg CAS 129/2/2019** 

**Muizenberg CAS 44/12/2018** 

Mitchells Plain CAS 1115/09/2017

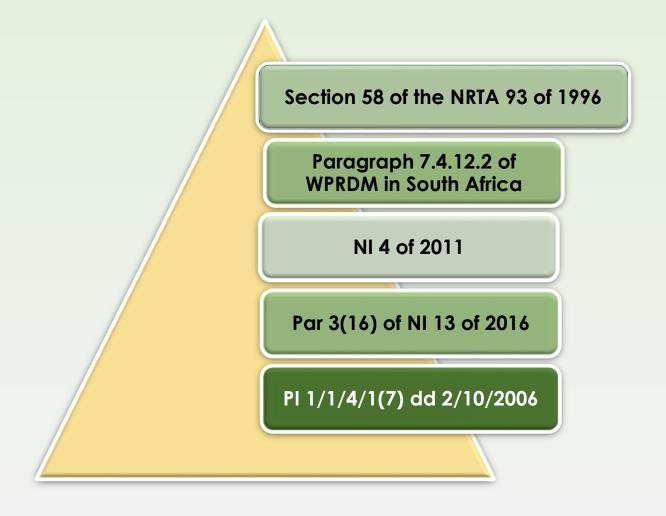
# Incidents

Kirstenhof AR 58/3/2019

Kirstenhof SAPS OB 1591/10/2019



### FINDINGS: LEGISLATION & SAPS INSTRUCTIONS





#### FINDINGS: NI INSTRUCTIONS 4 of 2011

- Paragraph 34(1)
- Paragraph 48(4)
- Paragraph 49(1)
- Paragraph 50(1)

Description of vehicle	Maximum number of inmates/detainees			
Patrol van, long-wheeled base 1 ton with compartment	8			
Patrol van, short-wheeled base without compartment 1 ton	8			
Patrol van, short-wheeled base 1 ton with compartment	6			
3-Ton prisoner truck	20			
4-Ton prisoner truck	20			
5-Ton prisoner truck	25			



#### **FINDINGS: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

# Dular Omar Institute

Use of bakkies and trucks

Secure buses and mini-buses

Providing of safety restraints

Sight of the rear of the back or truck

Mitchells Plain collision in 2017

Sound-induced hearing loss

# Tokai residents

Excessive use of sirens

Vehicles drive at high speed

# Cape Town traffic Department

Use blue lights and sirens with due regard to the safety of other road users



### FINDINGS: AVR STATISTICS

WC: REGIONAL REPORT FOR MONTH: JANUARY 2020									
DCS FACILITY	NUMBER OF RD ATTENDED COURT FOR THE MONTH	NUMBER OF RD ATTENDED VIDEO REMAND	PERCENTAGE OF RD ATTENDED VIDEO REMAND	NUMBER OF RD CASES POSTPONED WITH VIDEO REMAND	NUMBER OF RD RELEASED AFTER VIDEO REMAND	NUMBER OF CUBICLES FOR VIDEO REMAND	COURTS LINKED TO VIDEO REMANDS		
POLLSMOOR RDF	4231	132	3.1 %	119	13	4	Cape Town Athlone Mitchells Plain Khayelitsha Blue Downs		
POLLSMOOR MEDIUM A	2376	24	1%	24	0	2	Cape Town Athlone Khayelitsha Blue Downs		
GOODWOOD	2260	65	2.9%	60	5	1	Cape Town Blue Downs		
ALANDALE	1101	3	0.3%	0	3	1	Paarl		
TOTAL	9968	224	2.2 %	203	21	8			



# Overall Finding:

On the premise of the evidence gathered during the course of our investigation, the complaint was found to be substantiated



# RECOMMENDATIONS TO PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

- Court proceedings in terms of an audio visual remand (AVR)
- SAPS members transporting inmates work flexi hours
- Provincial Instruction with regard to the transportation of inmates
- Compliance with the proposed Provincial instruction, other SAPS instructions and directives
- Ensures decisive consequential management
- Meeting with Tokai Residents Association
- Case dockets highlighted are reviewed and appropriate corrective action
- Irregularities identified concerning Kirstenhof SAPS OB 1591/10/2019, and AR 58/3/2019 be redressed



# Thank you so much

Enkosí kakhulu

Baie dankie

