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PUBLIC HEARING ON THE DRAFT WHITE PAPER ON SAFETY AND SECURITY HELD IN THE EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE ON 28 JULY 1998.

DETAILS OF THE HEARING

The hearing was held at the Good News Conference Centre in King Williams Town, on 28 July 1998. It was organised by Nico Bezuidenhout of the Institute for Democracy in South Africa (Idasa).

ATTENDANCE AT THE HEARING

The following 62 people, representing organisations, attended the hearing. Please note that in most cases the names of individuals and organisations are recorded as they were written on the attendance register.

NAME	ORGANISATION
Nonkosi Tyolwana	EC Legislature
Nosipho Xhego	EC Youth Commission
Zulu Reginald Booi	SAPS
Xola Pakati	COSATU
Alfred Mtsi	COSATU
Sabelo Wana	NP
Litha Mcwabeni	EC Youth Commission
Dumisani Mafu	Secretariat
Singata Mafanya	Director (Secretariat)
Nomvuyo Nxawe	Councillor
Kerr Hoho	EC Provincial Legislature
Vuyisile Zwelibanzi	Provincial Community Police Board
Veliswa Baduza	EC Legislature
Nontobeko Dunjana	Masimanyane Womens Support Centre
Welile Mzozoyana	ECLGA / Amatola District Council
Zweli Ndinisa	Housing and Local Government
Aubrey Mfabe	Area Board
Johann Breetzke	Eastern Province Agricultural Union
Laura Best	Provincial Legislature
Mlawuli Manentsa	SAPS
FN Konto	SA Red Cross
T Mzantsi	Standing Committee
Nonzuzo Nkqayi	SAPS
Sicelo Gqobana	Safety and Security Standing Committee
SE Bosman	CPF
lan Fleming	Border-Kei Chamber of Business
Andre Coetzer	University of Port Elizabeth
Xolani Simakuhle	Kwa-Dwesi Community Police Forum
Manyano Noqayi	SAPS
TN Magadia	House of Traditional Leaders (EC)
Bobby Stevenson	DP
Johnson Hasa	CPF
Alicia Leander	SAPS
Alice Mnyakana	CPF
George Chase	PE Area Community Police Board
Graham Moore	East London City Police
Gerrie Bezuidenhout	DP
Gideon Judeez	Queenstown Protection Services
Mxolanisi Gongqa	Queenstown TLC
Mpoloso Mquggongu (illegible)	Ezibeleni CPF
Piko Mbambo	Secretariat for Safety and Security
Andile Ntoni	King Williams Town TLC Councillor

Zolani Madikizela	CPF
Mandisa Marashi	MPL
Zuko Adam	PE Area Board
Sithile Zondani	Human Rights Trust
Mpumelelo Landu	SAPS
Rose Mpomgoma	SAPS
Kukuse Nyengane	CPF
Alfredeen Jenneker	Independent Complaints Directorate
Conway Evertson	ICD
Mzi Mangcotywa	Standing Committee
Luntu Bobo	King Williams Town TLC
Daphne Strydom	EL Childrens Home / EL CPF
Bashur Housain	SAPS
Enoch Mzimasi Vukani	SAPS
Mzikayise Mdzuzo	SAPS
Rev D Francis	CPF
Nancy Xatula	Standing Committee - S&S/MPL (ANC)
Luphumzo Kebeni	Safety and Security
Bongani Stokwe	NEA

WELCOME

Mr Mzi Mangcotywa (Chairperson of the Standing Committee for Safety and Security) opened the hearing and welcomed all participants.

FACILITATORS REMARKS

The facilitator explained Idasa's involvement in the process and set out the operational rules for the day. It was made clear that debate would not be allowed, submissions should not take longer than ten minutes and that only members of the Standing Committee would be allowed to interrogate submissions after they were delivered. It was explained that members of the SAPS will be consulted through an internal process and should therefore not make submissions at this particular hearing.

PRESENTATION ON THE DRAFT WITE PAPER

Mr Eric Pelser from the National Secretariat delivered a presentation on the Draft White Paper. The following questions were raised in response to the presentation:

Umtata Area Board: The DWP appears to be proposing a new process for CPFs. Is it right to assume that CPFs were intended to be merely temporary?

Queenstown CPF expressed concern that police were not expected to make submissions. CPFs created good relationships between the police and the community. Can the police members on the CPFs not make contributions as members of the CPFs?

Kwa-Dwesi CPF: what is the relationship between the provincial government and CPFs?

George PE Area Committee Board wanted clarity on the role of MEC for Safety and Security in terms of the DWP?

Umtata Area Board: the DWP mentions local government structures but does not clarify the area of jurisdiction to which they are referring.

SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED AT THE HEARING

Four written submissions and six verbal submissions were received at the hearing. A summary of all submissions follow and copies of all written submissions are attached to this report.

Name of Organisation, Institution, Department, Individual	W / O	DWP page #	Comment	Recommendation
Umtata Area Community Police Board	W	W Crime Prevnt Unit P28 CPFs	Various Crime Prevention Units exist in SAPS. The DWP sets up the CPU as a temporary structure. CPFs should not be required to be accountable to local government structures.	A Crime Preventio will create confusion be named the Crin CPFs should remagovernment.
			CPFs are inclusive, representative and well recognised structures and should not be politicised. CPFs perform the same role	CPF Chairs should Crime Prevention
		P 26	envisaged for the Local Government Crime Prevention Forums	Local Government duplication of the 0
		Mncpl police.	The municipal boundaries are not clear on whether they include the magisterial districts.	Municipal boundar magisterial district
			No clarity exists around the roles of SAPS and Municipal Police. The DWP does not address rural	There should be a SAPS and the Mul conflict.
		P26 local govt.	safety and security problems. The role of traditional leaders and tribal authorities are not mentioned	The WP should ou the rural areas. The role of Tradition
			in the DWP. The constitution does not cater for the changes in local government	should be set out in the Constitution's
			responsibility related to safety and security issues. District Councils have not been	amended to includ CPFs and the role policing initiatives.
		P24	mentioned in the DWP.	Clarity is needed of
		Dgm 3	The NCPS states that crime prevention is priority number one yet in the DWP it is listed as priority number 2.	in terms of their in government struct The WP and the N of priorities in the
			Not enough consultation with stakeholders.	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,

W P9 DWP emphasises the Provincial Secretariat for Safety Clarity is required (Policy pursued and how i and Security. maintenance of law and order and crime prevention. Community policin DWP gives little reference to Community Policing and how it should be approached.
If there are policy shifts envisaged, Intended policy shi WP. they are not clearly stated. The role and powe The DWP does not outline the role Security should be and powers of the MECs. Piv second last se than a security issu P7 (3rd para): chal crime has now bec P7 (6th para) Add: establishment of th Directorate and the P13 (4th para): the meant by "local lev P15 (last para): ad networks and orga guildelines on how P15 (last para) "sp to members of the victims in a sensiti-P18 (3rd para): sei provision for areas crime prevention. P18 (4th para) add absence of an effe and coordination a most provinces." P28 (1st para) "Le prevention strategi P28 (2nd para): nc between local gove P28 (last para): the structures can don the spirit of Comm

Democratic Party	W	CPFs Dgm 4	Good set up to have CPFs at local level. DWP does not provide for how CPFs will integrate at provincial level. Part of CPU? NCPS has a shortcoming: does not contain measurable objectives. The DWP does not state how CPU's are going to be held accountable. Operation implementation and planning processes should be separated and be housed at national and provincial levels.	WP should explair government integr. CPFs should have for policy input and NCPS national crir be established. Monitoring and evain the WP. CPU shaccountable to the Concerned regard used for other final will address socio
House of Traditional Leaders	w	P13 visible polcng P11 investig atns P8 effctve law enforce ment Pp20 Instit. Reform P23 ICD	Traditional leaders play an important role in communities and are not mentioned in the DWP. Reactive policing is of great importance in crime combatting intitiatives. The DWP does not mention those areas where normal patrols cannot enter, eg. Drakensberg Mountains, crossborder checks. Police are often placed in areas unsuited to the individual officer. Police are not recognised for the good work they do. The establishment of the ICD is wholly supported by the House of Traditional Leaders.	Proactive policing urban areas and vi extensively especi. Traditional leaders by carrying two wa Police officers sho and investigative o have one investiga More effective use transport in SAPS. of vehicles and oth should be limited. Recruitment should when placing office Incentives should I of members. Other given, eg. medals, These incentives spublic interest in S
Mpape Umtata Area Board:	0	P28 CPFs	SAPS Act of 1995 allowed for the formation of CPFs. Audits done on CPFs.	Why has this not b government for co- empower and enrice
Rev Francis:	0	P28 CPFs	Local government is politically based whereas CPFs are apolitical. Some local councillors are on the CPFs and some problems have been experienced.	CPFs should not b WP should revisit 1 government and C

EL Provincial Board:	0	P26 local govt. P 28 CPFs	Concerned that police are not allowed to submissions esp since they are partners in this process. Worried that police are mere stakeholders. DWP is urban based and does not look at rural situations. Many TLCs are financially strapped. Not all CPFs are viable due to financial constraints.	The WP needs to additional financial WP needs to look weaknesses and e
Queenstown CPF	0	P 28 CPFs	The main concern is that victim safety and protection is not set out properly in the DWP. Interdepartmental relationships are not discussed effectively.	The WP should en empowerment. Pro which says that pe the victim has no comade to justify the around this issue s

Provincial CPF Board	0	P28 CPFs.	CPFs are concerned about the drive for the decentralisation of police services. CPFs are concerned that there is no clarity on their financial situations. The DWP does not clarify budgetary issues around the CPFs. The DWP does not provide clarity on leadership in CPUs. There is no role clarity for CPFs and CPUs. Autonomy of the TLCs on a political level should be noted. There may be conflict between the CPUs and TLCs because the CPU should be an apolitical concept but would be political if it is situated in local government structures. The CPFs want to work closely with local government.	CPFs should rema political structures. Role of police should driver of the TLCs.
Queenstown Area Board	0	P14 victims P13 visible policing P9 effectiv e law enfrcm ent P14 victims	Victims are disadvantaged in the CJS. Crime prevention is based on visible policing. Roleplayers should work cooperatively. Plain clothes police work effectively but at times the uniform is required. Police are trained but when they return to their police stations, they do not have the same facilities. Rape victims suffer in police stations.	Communities need Murder and robber More emphasis shempowerment pro There should be many The moratorium or revisited. Buildings should be provided. Victims should be stations and be provided.
EPAU	0	P13 visible polcing	Visible policing is a problem in the rural areas due to a lack of vehicles.	Rural police station and other resource

PE Area Board	0	P25 provinc ial govt. P26 CPFs	Role of MEC, Standing Committee and the provincial secretariat not addressed by DWP. The decentralisation of CPFs into local government structures would create problems and take away powers from the CPFs.	CPFs should retain should be indepen structures.
Provincial Youth Commission	0	P9 effectiv e law enforc ment P25 provinc es	Youth have a role to play in crime prevention strategies.	Need to create bet and police. Need to integrate y linked to compulso linked courses. Th security issues. The roles of the CI Provincial Police S create more integr