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**REPORT ON MPUMALANGA PUBLIC HEARING ON THE DRAFT WHITE PAPER**

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**PUBLIC HEARING ON THE DRAFT WHITE PAPER ON SAFETY AND SECURITY  
HELD IN THE MPUMALANGA PROVINCE ON 14 July 1998.**

**DETAILS OF THE HEARING**

The hearing was held in Midway Inn conference room in Middleburg, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of July 1998. It was co-ordinated by Mpho Putu and Pinkie Khechane of the Institute for Democracy in South Africa (Idasa).

**ATTENDANCE AT THE HEARING**

The following 79 people, representing organisations, attended the hearing;

NAME	ORGANISATION
Mr Luckson Mathebula	MEC – Safety and Security
Mr Mthunzi Vilikazi	ANC
Mr Meshack Malinga	Standing Committee on Safety and Security
Ms Petunia Morgan	Standing Committee
Mr Philip Mahlangu	Provincial Department of Safety and Security
A. Stanley Soko	Provincial Secretariat for Safety and Security
Mr J.B. Tolo	Standing Committee
Mr David Dube	LOGAM
Mr S Mochabang	SANCO
King N.C Mahlangu	Ndzundza Movement
Sergeant Zwane	Amsterdam SAPS
L.S Mabuza	Standing Committee
Ncane Vilakazi	PACWA
Mandy Mathebula	SAPS
Stanley Mngandi	Provincial Department of Local Government Housing & Land
Tsietsi Mokoena	C.P.F
Joe Mnyakeni	Highveld & Area Board
Sipho Mthethwa	C.P.F Piet Retief
Mento Aphane	Safety & Security
Alfred Nkosi	Amsterdam C.P.F
Charles Msibi	Community Policing
Max Zinserling	SAPS Amsterdam
Chris Wolvaardt	Provincial Department of Welfare
Philip Nel	National Secretariat (NCPS)
Jeremiah Mashinini	C.P.F
Daniel Mashego	C.P.F
Pheello Mokoena	C.P.F
Alice Kunene	PACWA
R de Jager	SAPS
Koleka Ngalo	Provincial Department of Health & Welfare

H.K Masango	Department of Youth Commission
L. J Motloung	C.P.F
SAJ Sibanyoni	Eastern TVL Small Farmers Forum
Thulani Zikalala	Eastern TVL Small Farmers Forum
Jackson Siboza	Mpumalanga Tourism
Supt Amanda Peens	SAPS
J.M.J Visses	SAAU
J.K Sikhosana	Provincial Department of Safety & Security
H.M Molamu	Provincial Department of Safety & Security
J Kenneth Dhlamini	CPF Bethal
Supt Kekana	SAPS Area Office Secunda
Thokozile Eister	SWAV
M.J Mbazima	Standing Committee
Gert Delport	C.P.F Malelane
Hans Degenaar	SAPS
Maranodi Gaorepe	SAPS
Harry Shabangu	SAPS
Kgomotso Gaobepe	C.P.F Nelspruit
Trevor Nkambule	C.P.F Leslie
Thelma Ngubeni	C.P.F Leslie
Michael Monareng	CPF
Surprise Khwaine	CPF Leroro
Themba Shube	Standing committee
Deon Kleingeld	SAPS
Agrippa Mabuza	Provincial Department of Safety & Security
F. Van Eck	TLC Lydenburg
Johannes Ndlovu	Elukwatini SAPS
Hardus Venter	SAPS Secunda
Jimmy Nhlapho	SAPS Leslie
Solomon Dladla	CSC Elukwatini
Frik Vivier	SAPS Bethal
Bomber Ntshangase	CPF Bethal
L.N Simelane	Department of Health & Welfare
M.T Malinga	Standing Committee
N.G Nkonde	C.P.F

Mandla Madonsela	Provincial Department of Safety and Secretariat
Kallie Erichsen	Mpumalanga Agriculture
Themba Gininda	SAPS
Sipho Mlotshwa	Area Board Eastern Highveld
Willem Nkadimeng	SAPS Charl Ciliers
Ben Nhlapho	SAPS Ermelo
Asid Phiri	SAPS Lothair
Janet Viljoen	BAC
Gardee Godrich	Mpumalanga Youth Commission
Jan Legoabe	C.P.C
Enock Sibanyoni	C.P.F
J Seswike	SAPS Kwamhlanga
Ernest Ndlovu	Provincial Youth Commission

**Delegation from the Media:**

Mr J Steinberg            Business day

**3.WELCOME**

Mr Meshack Malinga opened the hearing process by welcoming all people from different organisations

**4. FACILITATOR'S REMARKS**

He gave operational rules for the day and gave brief information on how Idasa won a tender and that Idasa is only organising the hearing. He told people not to debate issues but that they should try to present their submissions briefly. He also informed the police not to participate in making submissions but can only participate on questions of clarity.

**5. PRESENTATION ON THE DRAFT WHITE PAPER : Mr Eric Pelser ( National Secretariat)**

**6.QUESTIONS RAISED AT THE HEARING:**

**The following questions were raised in response to the presentation by the National Secretariat:**

Charles Msibi, Chair of Provincial Board Mpumalanga:

What is the difference between the Local Government Crime Prevention Forum and the CPF.?

There needs to be clarity between the two sectors.

Stanley Mngadi, Provincial Local Government:

What about crime prevention and law enforcement?

What factors do you consider and what kind of training is offered?

Small Farmers' Forum

Expressed concern about Law Enforcement. For police to be able to implement law



enforcement goes with department of justice. Problems in the co-ordination between the two departments and concern regarding leniency.

Joe Mnyakeni, Highveld Area Board

Community members do not feel safe in state vehicles. They are not covered by insurance while in these vehicles

Mokoena, Deputy Chair, Provincial Board

Raised concern about Municipal police, what is their status in the community and functions.

Reference made to diagram 4 – perform visible policing.

Stanley Soko, Provincial Secretariat Mpumalanga:

Assistance of Local Government in CPF's. Won't there be conflict if local government has to monitor.? What is the role of the secretariat in this case?

Mike Bhengu, Premier's office :

Who is monitoring co-operation of CPF's?

Sipho Mlotswa, Area Board Eastern Highveld:

If ex-officio position is reserved for representatives in Local Government on crime prevention forum, is there a need for CPF's to provide a report to local government . What is the relationship in this case?

## 7. WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED AT THE HEARING

The following 11 organisations made written submissions on the Draft White Paper:

<b>NAME</b>	<b>ORGANISATION</b>
Thoko Eister	SAWV
Piet Greyvenstein	Komatipoort C.P.F
David Dube	LOGAM
Mike Bhengu	Mpumalanga Youth Affairs Highveld region
Patrick Mahlakoane	Disability desk
Gardee Godrich	Mpumalanga Youth Commission
Tsietsi Mokoena	Grootvlei C.P.F
Willem Nkadimeng	Charl Cilliers C.P.F
Gert Delpoort	Malelane C.P.F
Greyvenstein C.P.F	Davel C.P.F
Surprise Khiwane	Dientjie C.P.F

The attached table is the summary of all submissions made at the hearing (including verbal submissions). Hard copies of the written submissions are also attached to this report.

## 8. SUMMARY OF SUBMISSIONS

R	Comment Made	# DWP Page	Written or Oral	Name of Organisation, Council, Body, Institution or Individual
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LOGAM, David Dube	W	Pg 8,11,14,25, 26,28,	<p><b>Effective Policing: should they focus on investigation work or other aspects of police work.</b></p> <p><b>Quality of investigations to be improved.</b></p> <p><b>Improving police visibility</b></p> <p><b>The service police give to victim's needs to be improved.</b></p> <p><b>Police to enforce the law more strictly and assertively, still respecting the bill of rights.</b> <b>Strict measures to be taken to address police corruption.</b></p> <p><b>Non- core functions of SAPS should not be prioritised. The deliverance of Social Crime Prevention Programme.</b></p> <p><b>How can the enforcement role of police complement social crime prevention initiatives?</b></p> <p><b>Role of provincial government in crime prevention.</b></p> <p><b>Role of Local government in crime prevention</b></p>	<p>S c p c . P e l b C n . T c i r c . E c a . T k n b P c . D c p q s c s p . S o t l p D c</p>
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			<p><b>Role of National government</b></p> <p><b>Can CPFs play a greater role in crime prevention</b></p> <p><b>General Concerns: Clear definition of: Crime prevention, role definitions of metros, role of CPFs.</b></p>	<p>r s  P d  R s  C v e a</p>
<p><b>Tsietsi Mokoena Grootvlei CPF</b></p>	<p><b>W</b></p>	<p><b>GPS 25, 26, 28</b></p>	<p><b>Role of provincial government: provincial structures should prevent crimes by prioritising physical resources to prevent crime. Role of local government</b></p> <p><b>Role of CPF's</b></p>	<p>D a F fi U s L c p d L r w g c M p L n l: L b a C ir tl p c  n</p>
<p><b>SWAN Thabo Fister</b></p>	<p><b>W</b></p>	<p><b>GPS 7, 8</b></p>	<p><b>Can between welfare and</b></p>	<p>n</p>



<p><b>SWAYITHOKO EISTER</b></p>	<p><b>W</b></p>	<p><b>PGS 1, 9, 13</b></p> <p><b>Policing environment</b></p> <p><b>Visible Policing</b></p> <p><b>Social Crimes</b></p>	<p><b>Gap between welfare and S&amp;S: police is not addressing some criminal cases.</b></p> <p><b>Poor communication with SAPS in rural areas.</b></p> <p><b>Not enough coordination between Justice and SAPS for victim and witness protection.</b></p> <p><b>Not enough gender sensitivity and female police in police stations.</b></p> <p><b>Not enough visible policing in communities.</b></p> <p><b>Social crime is escalating daily due to unemployment, lack of recreation.</b></p>	<p><b>n b s r</b></p> <p><b>S e o P c b d</b></p> <p><b>T b w</b></p> <p><b>P v c r p</b></p> <p><b>A b h c</b></p>
<p><b>Mike Bengu Office of the Premier: Youth Commission</b></p>	<p><b>W</b></p>	<p><b>Pg 7 Police environment</b></p>	<p><b>Demoralising factors within the SAPS lead to an ineffective police service.</b></p>	<p><b>N t s</b></p> <p><b>N c C s a c</b></p> <p><b>9 p</b></p>
<p><b>Surprise Khwiane Dientjie CPF</b></p>	<p><b>W</b></p>	<p><b>Pg. 28 CPFs</b></p>	<p><b>The Role of CPF's and its link with structures of govt.</b></p>	<p><b>C c c</b></p>

				C l i C i r o R e n a
Gert Delpoort Malelane CPF	W	Local Governme nt P28  P29	Role of Local Government CPF can take up the responsibility of coordinating and integrating crime prevention intervention  Role of CPFs	L a f b  T p S
Charl Cilliers CPF	W	P14 Law enforceme nt  P13	Effective law enforcement and creation of victims support system.  Many attacks on farmer indicate less police visibility on farms	T a a s  I r a
Komatipoort CPF	W	P13  Law enforceme nt	Effective policing	S c E u tl  P tl
Disability Desk of Premier's Office	W	P12  P14	Intervention to improve investigations with regard to the Disabled persons	T S u tl  D S k k

		P28	<p>Providing adequate Service to victims.</p> <p>Disabled children and women are victims of sexual, physical and emotional abuse.</p> <p>Functions of CPF</p>	<p>it to ii</p> <p>It V s a</p> <p>C tl w k n</p>
Mpumalanga Youth Commission Gardie Goodridge	W		<p>Commission to ensure that all legislation is cognisant of youth in the province.</p> <p>90% of crime largely involves youth.</p>	<p>R s R n y p Y ii s</p> <p>N y s is p</p>
Chief Maishe II	O	P12	<p>People and Structures are not properly co-ordinated, especially in relation to traditional leadership in institutions.</p> <p>Police in present positions are not well trained.</p>	<p>P b to</p> <p>N s</p>
SAJ Sebanyoni, Small Farmers Forum	O	P22	<p>Law enforcement cannot take place effectively without the involvement of the Dept. of Justice. Criminals are free, cases are dropped.</p>	<p>F c</p>

			Need to change attitude of police	
Viljoen: Business against crime		Pg. 10	Effective Criminal Justice:pg 10	C i r t l j t l N a p
Jackson Sibozza: Dept Tourism And Environmental Affairs	O		Policy document does not deal with rural areas and chieftancy.  Previous government. provided poor training to police. Does not deal with the duties of CPFs and civil society structures.	P p  N s
Bomba/ Bethal CPF	O		Corruption within the police has affected and influenced the way the work within community.	T A t l V S b
Vilakazi Mpumalanga: MPL Safety and Security Portfolio	O		Institutional Reform: Clarity between Secretariat and commissioner Provincial level: no clear lines of reporting Re: provincial commissioner and MEC Support in principle the formation of the municipal police – there is a need for clarification SAPS Amendment Bill.	
Joe Mnyakeni – Highveld Area	O	P28	CPF 's role	C p N p

				C t l C s s c p C
Davel CPF	W	P28	CPF's related issues	R b a C e
		P10	Crime prevention through effective criminal justice	R D J
		P11	Improving criminal investigations	C q T ir
Janet Viljoen, BAC	O	P10	Effective criminal justice system	C ir tl ju tl N tl
Sipho Mlotswa, Eastern Highveld Area Board	O	P12	Training of Police	N I
		P28	CPF's role	T w p c
		P24	NCPS	I s v .
Stanley Mokate Provincial Local Govt.	O		Crime and prevention and law enforcement- No participation from	R c e



			<p>no participation from police in planning stages.  Satellite police stations only in cities.  Behaviour of police: Is code of conduct managed.</p>	3
<p>MEC Laxton  Mathebula</p>	O		<p>Missing from the White Paper: Inter-departmental co-operation included NCPS document.</p>	T n a

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### 9. EVALUATION OF THE HEARING

The evaluation team comprising of representatives from the National Secretariat, Provincial Secretariat, Standing Committee and Idasa felt That the way the invitation list was done was good and it reflected the stakeholders in the Province. The evaluation was done as follows :

#### Concerning attendance

79 people responded to the invitation and attended.

11 organisations which responded did not attend

The high turn over and quality of submissions is due to preparatory work done by the Provincial secretariat and Idasa

#### Concerning Submissions

Submissions were of good quality, short and relevant to the White Paper.

#### Agenda

The agenda was fine and well managed

White Paper presentation by Eric Pelsler was well done and stimulated a lot of thinking.

#### Logistics

A lot of support was given to Idasa from both Standing Committee and Provincial Secretariat.

#### General Comments

People attended the hearing read the Draft White paper, this was evident from the quality of written and verbal submissions.

Hard work was done by the Provincial secretariat in preparing the CPF's.

Evaluation team was satisfied with the attendance, submissions and the way the hearing was handled