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**PUBLIC HEARING ON THE DRAFT WHITE PAPER ON SAFETY AND SECURITY  
HELD IN THE NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE ON THE 25<sup>TH</sup> JULY 1998**

**1. DETAILS OF THE HEARING.**

The hearing was held at Hoffepark Club in Kimberley on the 25<sup>th</sup> July 1998. It was coordinated by Mpho Putu and Pinkie Khechane of the Institute for Democracy in South Africa. The Hearing was facilitated and chaired by Idasa Director Ivor Jenkins assisted by Mrs. Yolanda Botha.

**ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING.**

The following 48 people, representing different organisations in the Northern Cape attended the hearing.

NAME	ORGANISATIONS
Kevin Hubbart	Provincial Safety and Security
Bernedette Esterhuizen	Provincial Department of Education
Lebogang Suiping	RDP Unit
Kaiser Lumphondo	Provincial Department of Correctional Services
Cyril Van Wyk	Provincial Department of Correctional Services
Hansie Smit	Diamantstad Tabernacle
Willem Pienaar	Diamantstad Tabernacle
Abraham Mofokeng	CPF Diamond Field
Jane Moeng	National Industries Chamber
Mmusi Maubana	National Industries Chamber
Sue Dreyer	NCED
Williams Isaacs	MPL
Barbara Bosch	Famsa
Ellen Nxazonke	CPF
Calvin Maponya	Department of housing & Local government
Yolanda Botha	MPL
Melanie Kivendo	Department of Welfare
Lawrence Letselebe	P.A.C
P.R. Melakego	AUSMA
Quntor Arendse	Department of Welfare
Mr. Swemesha	MPL
Thomas Kriel	Gordonia Area Board
Charles Hallatt	CPF Campbell
Ezekiel Molelekwa	P.A.C
Peterson Molokoane	P.A.C
John Landella	AUSMA
Donald Solami	P.A.C
Adv.Huma	MPL
Tiro Christopher Mabilo	P.A .C
F.R. Mampe	P.A.C
Farook Shaluhnag	Department of Health

Kindo Valerie Mathakgane	Department of Developmental Social Welfare
Heindrich Zana	NICRO
William Shupelekae	N.I. C
Johan Botes	AFM Church
Z.J Koekemoer	Diamantveld C.P.F
E. Komane	M. E. C
R. J. Muzi	Department of Safety and Security
David Ellims	P.A.C
Alwie Jaffer	Mauke Mosque
Racthard Samuel	Mauke Mosque
Latief Kimmie	Mauke Mosque
Jeannette Browsers	Child Care
Pat Siyoko	ECD Education
Themba Mzondi	POPCRU
Lesego Wolfe	POPCRU
Tony Modise	POPCRU
Simon Sivela	Gareditlatla Party

### 3. WELCOME

The MEC for Safety and Security, Ms E Komane, opened the hearing process by welcoming all people from different organisations by saying that, if prevention of violence against women is a priority, enough budget in SAPS must be allocated for resources to fight violence against women, that if women are not empowered to be independent, to fight poverty, to get away from old traditions, we can forget about combating crime in our country.

### 4. FACILITATOR'S REMARKS

He gave the operational rules of the day and gave brief information on how Idasa won the tender to organise the hearing.

### 5. PRESENTATION ON THE DRAFT WHITE PAPER: Mr Eric Pelsler (National Secretariat)

### 6. WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED AT THE HEARING.

The following 11 organisations made written submissions on the draft White Paper.

NAME	ORGANISATION
Hansie Smit	Diamantstad Tabernacle
Ms Anthea Michaels	Northern Cape Civilian Secretariat
Z.J Koekemoer	Diamant Field Area Board
Mr. MS. Rosen	Individual

Mr. Simon Sivela	Gareditlatla Party (verbal submission)
Mr. Themba Mzondi	POPCRU (verbal submission)
Mr. Kriel	Kakamas C.P.F.
Mr. Manzi	Civilian Secretariat (verbal submission)
Mr. Arandse	Department of Welfare (verbal submission)

The following organisations did not attend the hearing but sent written submissions

Bo- Karoo Area Board

Department of Agriculture and Nature Conservation and Land Reform

Northern Cape Agricultural Union

Department of Public Works

Mauke Mosque

The attached table is the summary of all submissions made at the hearing i.e. verbal and written submissions.

## 7. SUMMARY OF SUBMISSIONS

Name of Organisation, Body, Institution, Individual	Written / Oral	DWP page #	Comment	Re
Diamondstad Tabernacle	W	P28 CPFs  P16 Crime Prevention	Crime has a social history Communities have a responsibility to fight crime. Social crimes should be addressed at the roots. The youth should be provided with a challenging but secure environment to enable them to develop to their full potential There should be a proactive approach towards crime.	Cc es inv str .
Department of Public Works	W	P7 social control	The S&S Department could play a role in providing statistics of theft/vandalism at government buildings especially schools, care centres and children homes.	Fo pr De ad ag
Department of Agriculture	W	P13 Visible policing  P8 Law enforcement  P26 Local govt.	Farmers are very susceptible to attacks and often take security matters into their own hands.  The DWP does not include a commitment to bind community members in the fight against crime. Communities can play an effective role in crime prevention.  Local government plays a major role in the development of communities. Laws should be passed limiting the ownership of guns and the carrying of firearms by civilians.  The police force is negligent and careless in investigations and their general work because of a lack of training.	Pr hic int are de ec  Efl Po sh Th cri co Cc the of  Th me the

Northern Cape Agricultural Union	W	P8 Social crime prevention	Implementation of programmes often fails because of a lack of funding.  The DWP does not mention proposals related to policing in the rural areas.	Fu me su  SA ag co be
Bo-Karoo Area Board	W	P 28 CPFs	CPF's have been very successful in their fight against crime.	Th str im co

MS Rosen	W	P 8 Effective law enforcement	The Department of S&S do not have sufficient funds to combat crime in this country The SANDF has a role to play in crime prevention initiatives but the role should be second to that of SAPS.	Su pre to Ad pa SA cri
		P 28 CPFs	Socio-economic conditions play a role in crime levels.  CPF's play an important role in crime prevention initiatives at local level.	So be cri  Ne en pla sh of
		P 8 Effective law enforcement.	Existing legislation has not limited the levels of crime.  Political intolerance during elections has developed into certain criminal incidents e.g. Murders of opposing party members.	Th rei tak  Le en Str es ele tak str me co
		P 20 Institutional reform	We should learn from more developed nations about crime prevention initiatives. SAPS need to be restructured.	Re oth SA se se re an ap Th sh go its

Diamond Field Area Board	W	Social crime prevention	<p>Social crime prevention strategies play a role in combating crime.</p> <p>Strategies around delinquents and violent crime offenders could play a role in crime prevention strategies.</p> <p>The communities do have strategies to deal with crime at community level.</p> <p>Pp2 &amp; 26 Provincial and local govt.</p> <p>P 21 secretariat</p>	<p>At far</p> <p>Mu es: fin: SA pre</p> <p>Th de off</p> <p>Ne als pre</p> <p>Th de for Cri</p> <p>SA to Un CF</p> <p>Me ha ma Th the</p>
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Kakamas CPF	W	P28 CPFs	CPF's play an important role at community level	<p>CF au crit tra</p> <p>Th fra off wit Trn CF Me co' de the CF ca  ad Th cri Re sh  tak sei CF ap off Ma A l be Cc ev; ag ac  are Th rea cel</p>
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Gordonia Area Board	W	<p>P 28 CPF's</p> <p>P8 effective law enforcement</p> <p>P20 institution Reform</p> <p>P8 effective law enforcement.</p> <p>P 25 &amp; 26 Provincial and local govt.</p>	<p>The community is not being emphasised enough in the DWP.</p> <p>The police are not sufficiently trained to deal with people, community and cases.</p> <p>SAPS is still operating within the old boundaries.</p> <p>The budget does not cover all the requirements of the department. The five-year plan is not flexible enough to deal with changes in the safety and security sector.</p> <p>Provincial and local governments do not have enough powers.</p>	<p>Th co otr Th mc</p> <p>SA pr arc ma pa SA orc the Th orc Th se fle:</p> <p>Iss se int Re int str</p>
Mauke Mosque	W	<p>P 28 CPFs</p> <p>P 26 Municipal police</p>	<p>A municipal police service would not be viable in all municipal areas due to lack of funds.</p>	<p>CF en the CF so as:</p> <p>A r su mc co Th be po po po en</p>

NC Civilian Secretariat	W	<p>P21 Secretariat</p> <p>P 11 Investigation.</p> <p>Pp13 visible policing</p> <p>P14 victims</p> <p>P16 crime prevention</p> <p>P 26 municipal police.</p> <p>P20 institution. Reform</p> <p>P 25 provincial</p> <p>P21 Secretariat</p> <p>P 25 &amp; 26 Provincial and local govt.</p> <p>P 26 municipal. Police</p> <p>P 28 CPF's</p>	<p>DWP does not mention eradicating corruption in the SAPS. DWP does not mention the moratorium on SAPS recruitment.</p> <p>Minor crimes should be targeted.</p> <p>The roles within the CJS are not defined in the DWP.</p> <p>The Secretariats play a vital role in bringing together all role-players.</p> <p>Detectives are not sufficiently trained to deal with cases effectively.</p> <p>Communities know where the crime problem areas are.</p> <p>Victims need to be protected.</p> <p>There are many definitions of crime prevention in SA.</p> <p>Section 206 (7) of SAPS provides legislation for municipal police.</p> <p>Accountability and service delivery need to be addressed.</p> <p>The quality of service can be ensured if provinces have a say in operation matters. The secretariats do not have sufficient budgets.</p> <p>Provincial and local governments have to play a more significant role in crime prevention strategies.</p>	<p>An inc WI SA</p> <p>Ze es'</p> <p>Th CJ</p> <p>Th se  Cc sh</p> <p>Cc sh</p> <p>Ta inf</p> <p>Th an big</p> <p>Th de</p> <p>Cri fur</p> <p>Th the de po lns the ma Th for bu</p> <p>So ne of</p>
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			<p>Not all local government structures can afford municipal police.</p> <p>CPF's should not be politicised.</p>	<p>Mu siti cal</p> <p>Lo res wo</p>
POPCRU	O	<p>P 20 Institution. Reform</p> <p>P 28 CPF's</p>	<p>DWP has weaknesses because it starts from the assumption that everything in SAPS is normal. The areas neglected by the DWP are:</p> <p>Transformation</p> <p>Capacity building</p> <p>Labour relations</p> <p>Stakeholders are described in the WP but unions not mentioned as partners.</p> <p>DWP has placed HRM with the national commissioner's office.</p> <p>DWP has excluded CPFs from policy formation structures.</p>	<p>Tr WI ple pre</p> <p>Th eff dis SA str rel Un ac WI</p> <p>HF tra Na col</p> <p>CF for the de</p>
Simon Sivela Galeshewe Party?	O	Institutional reform	<p>Bodies governing the police are window dressing. They do not implement policy effectively.</p> <p>The Commissioner of Police in the provinces is not empowered to act effectively.</p>	<p>Th err</p> <p>Th Po be</p>

		P 26	Unemployment has played a major role in increasing crime levels in the province.	de All sh of Th of er Vis me
		Municipal police	Municipal police can play a vital role for more visible policing in communities.	
Manzi Civilian Secretariat	O	P 8 Effective law enforcement CPF's p32	Investigative police are still found in the administration section of SAPS.  CPF's have enhanced legitimacy and credibility of the police via a cooperative relationship. The DWP advocates a change.	Ad be the  CF pre un ob. aci
Department of Welfare	O	P14 Victims   P26 Municipal police	Missing section regarding the legal framework especially with regard to the constitution.  IMC Document of child and youth care system not considered. Police stations are not victim sensitive.  No role clarification in SAPS.  Intake officers should be trained to deal with people entering police stations.  The roles between SAPS and Municipal police are unclear.  Capacity building is vital during this period of transformation.	WI se  Po of Po us us WI lev  SA ad po  WI an  HF WI

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#### 8. EVALUATION OF THE HEARING

The evaluation team comprising of representative form 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

48 people representing 28 organisations responded to the invitation and attended the hearing

78 organisations were invited, which included churches, business sectors, NGOs and government departments.

The hearing coincided with the regional ANC conference, which in a way divided the attention and the interest of the people.

Thus the attendance was not satisfactory.

There were few representatives from other government departments.

#### Concerning Submissions

The submissions were of good quality given the fact that it was for the first time of holding such public hearings.

#### Agenda

The agenda was well managed.

White Paper presentation by Eric Pelsler was clear and understandable.

#### Logistics

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

#### General Comments

Enough preparatory workshops for C.P.Fs were done by the Provincial Secretariat and the Standing Committee in the Northern Cape, the reason for the attendance not to reach other people's expectations was the fact that the hearing took place at the same day as the A.N.C regional conference. The M.E.C could not stay for the whole day because of the conference.

The Evaluation team feels that the hearing was a success and it was handled correctly