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MINISTRY OF SAFETY AND SECURITY

MEDIA BRIEFING: REPORTED WEEKEND SERIOUS CRIMES: 17 – 19 MARCH 2017

Namibian Police Force - Public Relations Division

Anro Court Building

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HARDAP REGION

Murder – Rehoboth: On 18 March 2017 at 17:00hrs at Farm Kanibeb, Rehoboth; it is alleged that a fight broke out between the suspect (37) and his girlfriend. The victim, a 39 years old man Uusiku Pinehas interrupted in order to stop the fight however was stabbed on the left side of his rib with a traditional knife and died instantly. The next of kin is informed and the suspect is arrested. Police investigation continues.

Possession of and dealing in drugs – Aranos: On 18 March 2017 at 14:15hrs on the C-20 road 4km from Aranos; after intelligence led investigation, the police stopped a Volkswagen Polo sedan and search the vehicle and the passengers to which two men were found in possession of 250 mandrax tablets wrapped in transparent plastic bags, worth N\$15 000-00. They were also found with cash money of N\$1424-00. The two men (38 and 21) were arrested and police investigation continues.

Rape – Gochas: On 17 March 2017 at Gochas, a 27 year old man was arrested for raping a 15-year old girl who is now reported to be pregnant. It is alleged that after it was suspected that the suspect had a relationship with the girl, he was warned however never stopped. Police investigation continues.

Rape – Rehoboth: On 17 March 2017 on the B1 road to Tsumis Park, Rehoboth area; it is alleged that a 15 year old girl went hitchhiking from Rehoboth to Tsumis Park to visit her grandmother. When she was dropped off at the junction to Tsumis Park she walked alone heading home when she crossed with a strange man who hit her on the head, grabbed her and forcefully had sexual intercourse with her without her consent and thereafter fled. The victim was taken to the hospital and the rape was confirmed. The suspect is not yet arrested and police investigation continues.

ERONGO REGION

Attempted Murder – Walvisbay: On 17 March 2017 at 17:00hrs in Stonefish street, Kuisebmond, it is alleged that three children, two boys and one girl (10, 09 and 06years old) were watching television in the sleeping room (in a shack). The 10 year old boy, who resides in the ghetto with his father, took the safe key from the wardrobe, opened the safe which was also in the wardrobe and removed a firearm (pistol). He then tried to remove the magazine from the firearm when a bullet went off and struck the 6-year-old girl in the left eye. She was rushed to Walvisbay State hospital and immediately rushed to Windhoek in a critical condition. The firearm belongs to a fisherman who is currently on sea. A case of negligent handling of firearm is opened and Police investigation continues.

Unnatural death –Swakopmund: On 17 March 2017, it is alleged that a tourist from South Africa together with his wife booked themselves in at Strand Hotel. At 23:30hrs the man just collapsed and died instantly. It is suspected that he died due to heart attack however post-mortem will be conducted to determine the cause of death. He is identified as Conrad Gerhard Du Plessis, South African Male, 48 yrs old. Police investigation continues.

OMAHEKE REGION

Culpable homicide - Eiseb Block: On 17 March 2017 on the D3831 road at Otjohi area, it is alleged that a 23year old man who was driving a vehicle without a driver's license, carrying nine

(09) passengers lost control thereof causing it to overturn. A three month old baby died on the scene whereas eight passengers sustained serious to slight injuries and treated at Eiseb Block Clinic and some transferred to Gobabis State Hospital. The driver is not yet arrested, police investigation continues.

Rape and robbery – Epako: On 18 March 2017 at 00:00hrs in the bushes near Herero Block, Epako settlement. It is alleged that the victim and her boyfriend were walking from the bar returning home when they were approached by two men who emerged from the bushes and attacked them. The suspects stabbed the boyfriend with a knife once in the back and robbed him of his cellphone, a wristwatch and an empty wallet. The suspects then dragged the victim (20 years old female) to the nearby bushes, stabbed her with the knife on the left hand, undressed her and both had sexual intercourse with her. The suspects then fled. The suspects are unknown thus no arrest is made yet. **Anyone with information is requested to visit the Gobabis Police Station. Police investigations continue.**

OSHIKOTO REGION

Rape - Omuthiya: On 17 March 2017, a 19 year old man was arrested for allegedly raping a 02 year old toddler. The incident happened on Tuesday 14 March 2017 at 19:00hrs at Onashikuvu village, Omuthiya area. The suspect is a cattle herder and had sexual intercourse with the victim under coercive circumstances per anum, in the house. Police investigation continues.

Reckless and or negligent driving – Omuthiya: On 17 March 2017 at 13:59hrs at Onalunike village; it is alleged that the driver (31) of a black Mercedes Benz was travelling from Grootfontein to Oshakati on the Omuthiya B1 road when he lost control thereof causing it to overturn. Three passengers sustained injuries and were transported to Omuthiya State Hospital. Police investigation continues.

OHANGWENA REGION

Possession of control wildlife product – Eenhana: On Friday 17 March 2017 at 13:00hrs at Oshigweda village, it is alleged that learners who were heading to school became suspicious after observing a wrapped parcel in the water and alerted the police. The police at the scene found wildlife products wrapped in yellow cello tape bag hidden in the water under the bridge. The nature of products are 20 pieces of elephant tusks weighing 63,1 kilograms. The value is still to be determined. No one is arrested and police investigation continues. *The Police wish to commend the learners for being observant and security conscience and for alerting the Police. In the same vein, we are requesting anybody with information in that regard to contact Deputy Commissioner Haingura on 081 277 8743.*

OMUSATI REGION

Culpable Homicide – Tsandi: On 18 March 2017 at 08h30hrs, on the Okahao/ Tsandi main road at Ombaadhiya village, Tsandi Constituency. It is alleged that the driver of a Toyota corolla collided into a parked truck causing severe injuries. The driver was rushed to Oshakati whereas one passenger was treated at Tsandi Health Centre; unfortunately they both succumbed to injuries. They are identified as driver Nakale Erasmus Kashokolo (36) from Onkwishi village and passenger Aune Namupala Erastus (26) from Onkwishi village. Their next of kin are informed. Other passengers sustained serious to slight injuries and treated at Oshakati State Hospital. Police investigation continues.

Inquest (Suicide) – Onesi: On 19 March 2017 at 07h10hrs at Osheedhiya village, Onesi Constituency; the body of Kakende Evelina Nembundu, 45 years old was discovered, found hanging from a scarf on a tree within their field. The deceased was last seen on 18 March 2017 afternoon. No suicide note left. The next of kin is informed and police investigation continues.

Inquest (Drowning) – Etayi: On 19 March 2017 at 06h00 at Eehongo village, Etayi Constituency; the body of deceased Johannes Tutileni, 30 years was found floating on top of the water. The deceased was last seen on 18 March 2017 during the day at Onepandaulo village. The next of kin is informed and police investigation continues.

KHOMAS REGION

Inquest (Suicide) – Windhoek: On 18 March 2017 at 17h00hrs in the nearby bushes at Prosperita area; the body of 21 years old man (Security Guard) was discovered, found hanging from a wire on a tree. A suicide note was left behind. The next of kin is not yet informed and police investigation continues.

ZAMBEZI REGION

Reckless and or negligent driving - Katima Mulilo: On 18 March 2017 at 00:00hrs on the Linyanti/Liselo main road near Masokotwani area; it is alleged that the driver of a silver Nissan Note bumped and injured a pedestrian (36) who was crossing the road. The victim sustained serious head injuries and was flown to Windhoek for further medical treatment. Police investigation continues.

The Windhoek Police Mortuary through the fingerprint identification system at the Ministry of Home Affairs and Immigration were able to identify the body of a man who was found dead in Omutula Street in Hakahana after he was stabbed with a screwdriver on 14 March 2017. He is identified as Lebson Neliwa, born 06 June 1992. The autopsy is now complete and thus the police at the Mortuary is seeking for the relatives to visit the Police Mortuary in order to identify and claim the body of their loved one.

Kind Regards



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