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Department of Police

MINISTRY OF SAFETY AND SECURITY

MEDIA BRIEFING: REPORTED WEEKEND SERIOUS CRIMES: 16-18 September 2016

Namibian Police Force - Public Relations Division

Anro Court Building

14H00

2016-09-18

REMINDER:

The Amnesty process is proceeding exceedingly well with overwhelming surrendering of firearms, ammunition or armaments from Khomas, Karas and Omusati Regions.

To date; since the amnesty period kicked off on 18 August 2016; 443 Firearms (rifles-424, handguns-16 and shotguns-3) were surrendered, 1070 ammunitions (rifles-605, handguns-450 and shotguns-15) were surrendered and 118 explosive ordinances (MM rounds).

Once again, the Namibian Police Force is requesting that all persons who are in possession of illegal firearms, ammunitions or armaments should surrender such firearms, ammunition or armaments to the police officer in charge of their nearest police station without being prosecuted in terms of Sections 2, 29 and 33 of the Act. The amnesty process will conclude on 18 November 2016.

OSHIKOTO REGION

Oshivelo – Inquest: On 17/09/2016 at 15:00 on the Tsumeb/Oshivelo B-I Road, 50 km from Tsumeb, it is alleged that two trucks (goods and fuel trucks) that were stationary at a resting place alongside the road caught fire and burnt out completely. The one truck with Reg no ACX 9687 was driven by a Zambian citizen who had with him two passengers who are also Zambians. The other truck Reg no N8787W, a fuel carrier truck was driven by a Namibian man who died at the scene and identified as Adolf Angula (age unknown). This truck belongs to Cross Road Distribution Namibia, based in Tsumeb. According to the passengers they do not know what caused the fire; they only saw the deceased running while on fire and yelling for help and collapsed. They however managed to

rescue the Zambian driver, who sustained serious arms and leg burnt injuries. The injured driver was rushed to Oshakati State Hospital. The two passengers escaped unhurt. Police investigation into the matter is launched.

Okatope – Inquest: On 17/09/2016 at 06h00 at Upopo village Omuntele area, it is alleged that the deceased a four months old boy was found dead on the bed where he slept with his parents. It was discovered that the deceased had a bleeding wound on his left ear. A Post mortem will be conducted to determine the cause of death. Police investigations continue.

Onayena – Suicide: On 17 September 2016 at 08h30 at Onethika village Ontananga area, it is alleged that a man was found hanging from a rope on the roof in his sleeping room. Deceased is identified as Andreas Elago 32 yrs old. No suicide note left behind. Next of kin is informed and Police investigations continue.

HARDAP REGION

Kalkrand – Murder: On 16/09/2016 at 23:00 at Sundown Inn club Kalkrand. The suspect was involved in a quarrel with the deceased and stabbed the deceased with a knife on the right side of the chest and run away. The deceased died at the hospital. The deceased is identified as Nicky Swartbooi, Namibian male, 26 yrs of age a resident of Kalkrand. Next of kin is informed. The suspect 26 yrs of age Namibian male is arrested. Police investigation continues.

Rehoboth – Murder: On 17/09/2016 between 17:30 and 18:00hrs at Block B, Rehoboth, it is alleged that a man had his pistol in a friends bag who was fixing some electrical wires at the house. While at the house he (suspect) decided to remove the 9mm pistol from the bag, however and unfortunately in the process a shot went off and struck Roberto Gawanab (21) who died instantly. The suspect (30) is arrested and it was discovered that the firearm is unlicensed. The next of kin of the deceased is informed. Police investigation continues.

Gibeon – Suicide: On 17/09/2016 between 17:30 and 18:00hrs at Gibeon Fish riverbed, it is alleged that the deceased had a quarrel with his brother at home where he broke windows and flee from home. His body was later discovered hanging from a tree. He is identified as Andre Johnny Kennedy (23). No suicide note left behind. The next of kin is informed. Police investigation continues.

OTJOZONDJUPA REGION

Otiwarongo - Rape: On Friday 16/09/2016 at 07h00, it is alleged that a 15year old was late for school when she was approached by a taxi driver who volunteered to ferry her to school. The driver instead drove to an isolated and bushy area where he unlawfully and intentional had sexual intercourse with the girl in his car. The girl when she returned home narrated what happened to her family and was taken to the hospital. The suspect is at large and police investigation continues.

Okamatapati - Inquest: On 17/09/2016at 06h00 at Okamatapati resettlement, it is alleged that the deceased a three months old boy was found dead on the bed where he slept with his parents. When nature called, the mother got up and went outside, however upon her return she realized that the baby was dead. A Post mortem will be conducted to determine the cause of death. Police investigations continue.

OSHANA REGION

Oshakati- Theft from motor vehicle and malicious damage to property: On 16/09/2016 at 17:15 at Game complex in Oshakati. It is alleged that the suspect broke the window of the complainant's car and stole his black bag which contained cash money valued at N\$ 55 300-00. The complainant is a Chinese national. The suspect is not yet arrested and police investigation continues.

ERONGO REGION

Walvis Bay - Theft of container containing timber wood: At the Walvis Bay Weight bridge between 13/09/2016 and 16/09/16 at unknown time unknown, it is alleged that the suspect claimed to be the clearance Agent and took the items from the driver, valued at N\$ 1 652 000-00. The properties were however recovered. The two suspects, one Chinese National, 32 years old and a Zimbabwean national (truck driver) (24) are arrested. This timber was transported from DRC Congo destined for Walvis Bay Port. Police investigation continues.

Usakos – Inquest: On Saturday 20/09/17 at 17:30, a decomposed body of a man who is a known animal caretaker was found at his Farm House at Farm Oodmoet Post 2 in Usakos area. The body was found in front of farm house

where he stays alone by the neighbors who alerted the Police. The next of kin not yet informed. Police investigation continues.

Kuisebmond - Suicide: It is alleged that a Namibian male, Gerson Miquel Goseb, 22 years of age committed suicide by hanging. He was found on Saturday 17/09/16 at a residence in Brandberg Street, Kuisebmond at 00:30 hanging from a rope in the ceiling of his bedroom. He was last seen alive on Friday, 16/09/16 at about 17:00. No suicide note was found. The next of kin is informed.

KHOMAS REGION

Katutura – Rape: On 16/09/2016 at 21h00 at a residence in Cidiago Street Herero Location, it is alleged that the suspect held the complainant (22) at knife point and forcefully had sexual intercourse with her. The suspect (23) is arrested and police investigation continues.

Katutura – Housebreaking and Theft: On 2016/09/18 at 02h00 at a residence in Instabul Street Otjomuise 8ste Laan, it is alleged that suspect(s) broke the door lock with an unknown object and gain access inside the bar and remove the Gambling machine worth N\$113 000.00. No arrest and no recovery made. Police investigation continues.

Windhoek – Housebreaking and Theft: On 2016/09/18 at 10h10 at a residence in Van Zyl Street Suiderhof, it is alleged that suspect(s) cut the backyard fence which is at the riverbed side and gained entry into the yard. They broke the window of the house and entered. They managed to remove cash money N\$20 000.00, jewelry worth N\$300 000.00, foreign currency 5000.00euros and a spare key of a Porsche vehicle. No arrest and no recovery made yet. Police investigation continues.

Regards

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