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HISTORY AS COMMUNITY CRIME FIGHTING ORGANIZATIONS TRANSFORMS TO FIGHT CRIME GUIDED BY LAW

IN its endeavour to deepen people's action against crime, the KwaZulu-Natal government will tomorrow (13 November 2012) launch for the first time a historic, inclusive association of community groupings fighting crime.

The KZN Community Crime Prevention Association (KZN CCPA) is an umbrella body comprises of 14 voluntary community crime fighting organizations.

They include Isikebhe, Juluka-tsotsi, Vimbangaphambili just to mention the few.

The formation of this association is informed by the vision of government to build a crime free society and to maximize community participation in the fight against crime.

These organizations forming the KZN CCPA are instrumental in building an anti-crime society and to strengthen community intelligence in the fight against crime.

It is important for government to transform these organizations to work within the parameters of the law and to instil the culture of operating within the ambits of the constitution.

Historically, some of these organizations have been labelled as vigilante groups because of their approach in dealing with crime suspects.

Now, under the KZN CCPA, they have all made an undertaking of changing their tactics in fighting crime and developed a constitution guiding their operations.

Tomorrow a memorandum of agreement guiding the commitment to legal approach between government and these organizations will be signed.

This will ensure that all organizations under the KZN CCPA work together with the police and refrain from any illegal operations.

Informed by the vision of harnessing the experience and the spirits of all those who are actively involved in the fight against crime, KZN Premier, Dr Zweli Mkhize and MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Willies Mchunu will attend and address the launch of the KZN CCPA.

Details for the launch:

Date : 13 November 2012

Venue : Southern Sun, eLangeni hotel

Time : 12h00

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