



MEDIA STATEMENT

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PSiRA WITHDRAWS KZN-BASED MVIMBENI SECURITY'S LICENSE TO RENDER ANY PRIVATE SECURITY SERVICES

CENTURION- In yet another bold move, the Private Security Industry Regulatory Authority (PSiRA) has effectively withdrawn the registration/license to trade of KZN-based Mvimbeni Security and Associates as well as that of its Director. This security service provider operates in Durban and Pinetown, KwaZulu-Natal. Following a complaint from a member of the public about a separate incident relating to firearms, an inspection was conducted at the company's premises where the Authority's Inspectors uncovered that the company had been dormant and never had any clients since its registration. A further inspection uncovered a number of other irregularities, including that the company had linked 38 Security Officers to its business, presumably, for purposes of securing the firearm license under false pretence.

Both the company and its Director have been charged for contravention of PSiRA regulations. Essentially, this company supplied false information in their application for firearms, meaning that their application was granted based on false information provided.

Reacting to this breaking news, PSiRA CEO, Mr Manabela Sam Chauke, stressed the importance of abiding by the indispensable regulations that govern the industry. Mr Chauke further mentioned that, "Considering the alarming proliferation of unlawful firearms in the country, it was expedient for the Regulator to act swiftly and decisively in this regard. We hope that this will be a deterrent to others of the ilk to learn and immediately desist from such serious misconduct."

Accordingly, the Authority appeals to consumers of security services to refrain from doing any business with this now-withdrawn security company which is also facing a criminal case.

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