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(MEDIA STATEMENT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE STATION COMMANDER, BRIGADIER POTGIETER)

Crime Brief – 19th July 2010

Herewith details of some of the reported incidents in the Honeydew Precinct, during the past week:

Hi-Jacking (Weltevreden Park): At about 22:00 the complainant stopped at the red robot at corner of Jim Fouche and Cockspur Ave. Two unknown males then suddenly jumped into the complainant's vehicle and pointed a firearm at him. The suspects instructed the complainant to get out of the vehicle and start running. The suspects then drove off with the complainant's vehicle.

House Robbery (Cosmo City): On Friday evening at about 21:52 the complainant went outside to fetch something from her vehicle. She was then confronted by one unknown male with an iron pipe. The suspect pushed the complainant back into the house where he tied the complainant up and ransacked the house. The suspect fled with clothing and electrical equipment.

House Robbery (Struben's Valley): The complainant was sitting upstairs watching TV, at about 18:00, when three unknown men entered. The suspects held up the family and ransacked the house. The suspects fled on foot with an undisclosed amount of cash, clothing and electrical equipment.

Hi-Jacking warning!!!

Residents are again urged to please be very careful when arriving or leaving their residence at night. Be on the lookout for any suspicious people in the street or movement at your gate. Where possible ensure that you have adequate lighting at your entrance and that there are no obstructions (big shrubs, trees etc.)

Hi-Jacking (Randpark Ridge): On Sunday evening at approximately 21:50 the complainant and his companion were reversing their vehicle out of the driveway when they were suddenly approached by two unknown men with firearms. The men instructed the occupants to get out of the vehicle and they then drove off with the complainant's vehicle. No injuries were sustained.

Hi-Jacking (Randpark Ridge): On Saturday evening at 20:00 the complainant was trying to enter the gate when approached by two unknown men. The one suspect was the driver of a white Siyaya minibus. The passenger of the taxi jumped out and pointed a firearm at the complainant. The complainant was instructed to get out of his vehicle and lie down on the ground. The suspects then heard someone screaming and fired one shot but no one was injured.

Attention employers of domestic workers:

Numerous reports have been received from residents in the Randpark Ridge area whereby the employer has been informed telephonically that their domestic worker has been killed. Employers of domestic workers are urged to please be very careful when they receive a telephone call allegedly from one of the members of their domestic's family stating that the domestic has been killed or injured in a road traffic accident. The "family member" then requests money to be deposited into a bank account to pay towards the funeral. This is usually a scam and you are

urged not to entertain such calls without verifying details thoroughly!!! Employers must ensure that they have a copy of the domestic worker's ID as well as all the contact details of the domestic's next of kin to contact in case of an emergency.

Dates to remember:

Sector 4 will have be having their Domestic Workers safety forum meeting on the 28th of July 2010, at 15:00 at Strubensvalley Library

Residents of Townhouse Complexes in Wilgeheuwel and Milky Way are invited to an open Crime meeting in order to establish a Townhouse Forum for Sector 4. The meeting will be held on the 28th of July 210 at 19:00 at Strubensvalley Library.

For any more information regarding the above meeting please contact the sector manager: Constable Donald Sekomane on: 079 895 0685.

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