

MEDIA RELEASE PSA applauds BMA employees for outstanding work at start of 2025 festive season

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The Public Servants Association (PSA) applauds employees of the Border Management Authority (BMA) for their exceptional commitment and vigilance as the 2025 festive season begins, a period marked by significantly heightened traveller volumes and security demands.

On 11 December 2025, BMA officials at OR Tambo International Airport intercepted a human-trafficking attempt and prevented illegal entry into the country through the detection of fraudulent visas. These successful interventions once again demonstrate the professionalism, alertness, and ethical conduct of BMA officials who work tirelessly to safeguard South Africa's borders.

The PSA commends these officials for their bravery and unwavering commitment to protecting the country. Their work upholds national security and reinforces the integrity of South Africa's immigration and border management systems. These officials are a crucial frontline defence against corruption, transnational crime, and the exploitation of vulnerable persons.

The PSA reiterates the Union's ongoing and full support for the BMA and its employees. The PSA will continue to encourage and empower the Union's members to act with integrity, adhere to the highest standards of public service, and carry out their duties without fear or favour.

As the festive season intensifies, the PSA calls on South Africans to appreciate the demanding work performed by BMA officials and other public servants who are committed to ensuring a safe and secure South Africa for all.

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