

MEDIA RELEASE	PSA urges acting Minister of Police to prioritise governance reform at IPID
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The Public Servants Association (PSA) calls on the acting Minister of Police, to urgently place the Independent Police Investigative Directorate (IPID) at the top of his agenda and to intervene in the ongoing IPID corporate governance crisis.

The IPID is currently riddled with maladministration, incompetence, disregard for collective bargaining processes, and workplace bullying. These systemic failures have demoralised employees and severely undermined public trust in the IPID's ability to fulfil its constitutional mandate of independently investigating police misconduct.

The PSA has repeatedly reported these serious concerns to the former Minister of Police, highlighting governance failures that compromise operational efficiency and accountability. These issues threaten the integrity and credibility of an institution that is vital in support of law and democracy in South Africa. Unfortunately, the former Minister Mchunu did not respond to the PSA's pleas.

The PSA noted the recent *ENCA* interview with the acting Minister of Police regarding his list of priorities. The PSA believes that the acting Minister has the opportunity to restore integrity and functionality in the IPID. The PSA calls for the immediate establishment of an independent turnaround task team, in consultation with employee representatives such as the PSA, to address operational inefficiencies, rebuild internal capacity, and ensure ethical governance.

The credibility of IPID is critical to safeguarding accountability and justice in policing. The PSA therefore urges the acting Minister to include the IPID as a priority in his governance-reform agenda to improve efficiency, eliminate employee oppression, and restore public confidence. The PSA is committed to supporting all initiatives aimed at promoting ethical leadership, good governance, and the protection of employees' rights at the IPID.

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