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| <b>MEDIA RELEASE</b> | PSA welcomes intensified police operations in Northern Cape for safer festive season |
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The Public Servants Association (PSA) welcomes the intensified police operations underway in the Northern Cape as part of the *Safer Festive Season Operations*.

These measures respond to increased safety risks during the festive period, particularly on high-traffic routes and at border areas. The South African Police Service continues to implement visible policing, roadblocks, and crime prevention activities across the province. These interventions aim to curb violent crime, protect communities, and ensure safe movement for residents and visitors. The PSA also noted the scheduled oversight visit by the Deputy Minister of Police to Upington, on 18 December 2025. This visit signals a national focus on policing effectiveness, accountability, and support for officers on the ground during the festive season.

The PSA emphasises the need for sustained support for police officers, many of whom work extended hours under challenging conditions. Effective law enforcement requires adequate staffing, proper resources, and strong leadership oversight. The PSA is committed to the safety and wellbeing of public servants and communities in the province. The PSA calls for continued cooperation between law enforcement agencies, communities, and all stakeholders to ensure a safe and peaceful festive season.

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