



FOR PSA MEMBERS: **DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS (DHA) - WESTERN CAPE**

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## Urgent: Safety concerns for DHA members – 30 June 2026

The PSA was informed by members at the Department of Home Affairs (DHA) of serious safety concerns. A civic movement has called for a shutdown on 30 June 2026. The shutdown follows months of escalating anti-immigration protests across South Africa, including the Western Cape.

Members at Refugee Services, Immigration Services, and Civic Services have indicated that there may be potential risks to employees and Departmental property during this period. These concerns include possible threats directed at officials and DHA facilities. It has been noted that the South African Police Service and other law enforcement agencies are expected to be deployed. However, members have expressed serious reservations regarding whether these measures will be sufficient to guarantee their safety.

The PSA takes these concerns extremely seriously and is committed to ensuring that all members can work in a safe and secure environment, as required in terms of employer obligations.

The PSA has formally engaged the Department and requested that it:

- Urgently develops and communicates a clear and practical safety plan for all affected offices.
- Ensures that adequate security measures are in place across the Province.
- Provides reassurance to employees through transparent and timely communication.

Members are encouraged to remain vigilant and report any threats or suspicious activities. Safety concerns should be escalated immediately through the appropriate internal channels. Members must stay informed of updates issued by the Department. It must be unequivocally stated that the Department carries the primary and non-transferable obligation to always ensure the safety and security of all employees. The PSA will continue to closely monitor the situation.

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