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## GENERAL NOTICE

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**NOTICE 673 OF 2008**  
**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT, ROADS AND**  
**COMMUNITY SAFETY**  
**NORTH WEST PROVINCE**

**DECLARATION OF SPECIAL EMERGENCY MEASURES TO BE TAKEN TO CURB**  
**MINIBUS TAXI TYPE SERVICE AND BUS TRANSPORT SERVICE IN THE DR.**  
**KENNETH KAUNDA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY IN TERMS OF SECTION 7(B) OF THE**  
**ROAD TRANSPORTATION ACT, 1977 AS AMENDED BY NORTH WEST ROAD**  
**TRANSPORTATION AMENDMENT ACT, ACT 5 OF 1977.**

In terms of section 7b (1) of the Road Transportation Act No. 74 of 1977 as amended (by North West Road Transportation Amendment Act 5 of 1997). I, Frans Phenye Vilakazi, Member of the Executive Council for Transport, Roads and Community Safety in the North West Province hereby announce the following Magisterial District within the Dr. Kenneth Kaunda district Municipal Areas to which the provision of the said Section 7B shall apply to regulate, manage and control minibus taxi type services and bus transport services in the following routes: Klerksdorp, Orkney, Potchefstroom, Stilfontein, Hartbeesfontein, Jouberton, Kanana, Khuma, Tigane, Ikageng, Promosa and Ventersdorp.

Notice is hereby given that as a result of the under mentioned efforts to resolve taxi violence and conflict in the affected district municipality, the following steps were undertaken:

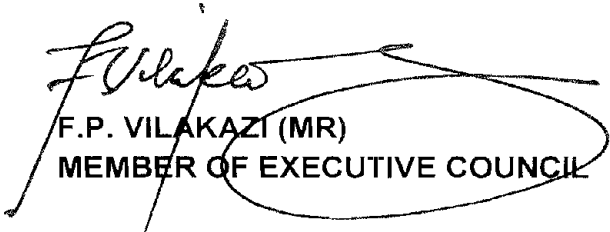
1. A number of meetings held between rival groups with a view to mediate the conflict and to bring the parties to work together. These meetings were initially facilitated by the Department and Dr. Kenneth Kaunda District Municipality;
2. The Regional Taxi Council has also facilitated a number of meetings with the rival groups, but the other groups were always non-cooperative;
3. A number of Taxi Associations operating in the entire area of Dr. Kenneth Kaunda district Municipality demanded intervention from the Regional Taxi Council and the Dr. Kenneth Kaunda district Municipality on a number of occasions;
4. Finally, without any positive outcome from the initiatives taken by relevant Stakeholders, the affected groups of Taxi Associations continued to fight over the routes;
5. Thereafter similar list of demands by the affected groups were later send to the Portfolio committee of the Department of transport, Roads and Community Safety to intervene;
6. In the meantime, the rival groups continue to fight over routes, threatening the lives of other operators and commuters;
7. A team of JAWS was attacked whilst on an operation in the said District Municipality.
8. A member of Provincial task team led by Captain Mampuru was stabbed by the operators in one of the ranks (Klerksdorp) by the taxi operators in that District Municipality.

Whereby the following measures shall apply:

Any person:

1. Found operating in those areas without a valid operating license shall have his vehicle impounded and only be released upon payment of a fine of R5 000-00, and production of a valid operating license or permit;
2. Operating public transport contrary to the terms and conditions of operating license/permit shall have his/her vehicle impounded and only be released upon payment of a fine of R5 000-00.
3. Allowing another person to use one's operating license/permit for vehicle not specified on it shall be impounded and be released upon payment of a fine of R5 000-00;
4. All Taxi Associations and their members must ensure that they apply for final registration with the office of Transport Registrar within the period prescribed in the regulations;
5. All members of Taxi Associations must ensure that they acquire their operating licenses to operate in the area within the period as prescribed in the regulations;
6. Operations in and out of all ranks will be monitored in accordance with the district Municipal by-laws.

These special measures will become effective upon the publication of this notice until 31<sup>st</sup> June 2009 or unless otherwise withdrawn and/or extended by the responsible Member of the Executive Council.



**F.P. VILAKAZI (MR)**  
**MEMBER OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**