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September; a month of Action, Awareness and Engagement

September marks an important period on the calendar for the Namibian Police Force (NamPol) as it is dedicated to activities that strengthen public safety, professional development and social awareness.

The month is highlighted by initiatives such as the **Firearm Amnesty Campaign**, which encourages members of the public to voluntarily surrender illegal and unwanted firearms and ammunition. This initiative plays a critical role in safeguarding communities, reducing crime, and fostering a culture of responsibility among citizens.

September also serve as a platform for professional growth through **national and international conferences**, where Namibian law enforcement engaged with regional and global counterparts to share knowledge, enhance communication, discuss innovations, commence with the campaign for the INTERPOL Presidency, strengthen bilateral relations and partnerships in the fight against transnational crime.

Participation in these forums enhances policing strategies and reinforces Namibia's role as a proactive contributor to regional security.

Equally important in September is **suicide prevention and mental health initiatives**, which raise awareness about psychological wellbeing and equip communities with tools to identify and support individuals who are at risks. By addressing this overlooked aspect of public safety, NamPol and stakeholders demonstrate a holistic approach to protecting lives both physically and mentally.

Collectively, the various activities conducted in September reflect NamPol's commitment to building safer communities, fostering professional excellence, and promoting social responsibility.

The month of September serves as a reminder that public safety is a shared responsibility, requiring collaboration, awareness, and action from all sectors of society.



NAMPOL SCOOPS TOP HONOUR AT INAUGURAL PSA

■ BY DEP.COMM. P.K. SHIKWAMBI

The Namibian Institute of Public Administration and Management (NIPAM), widely recognized as the national catalyst for transformation, hosted its inaugural Public Sector Awards (PSAs) Ceremony in Windhoek. The event celebrated and acknowledged public sector institutions that have significantly invested in the capacity building and development of their employees during the 2024/2025 financial year.

The Ministry of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety, and Security, through its Namibian Police Force (NamPol) emerged as the overall winner, receiving the **Best Public Enterprise Award**. This milestone highlights the strong partnership between NamPol and NIPAM, particularly in advancing leadership and professional development within the police force through targeted training programs.

NamPol's achievement is notable not only for its commitment to NIPAM's initiatives but also for its dedication to capacitating officers in public administration, ultimately ensuring improved service delivery. For many, this award stands as a testament to NamPol's pursuit of excellence.

Speaking at the ceremony, Inspector General Lieutenant General Joseph Shikongo emphasized that the recognition reflects more than just visible police operations such as patrols and arrests. It also demonstrates the force's investment in staff development across various fields.

"We had a number of courses that we were running with NIPAM, including leadership, public speaking, and finance for non-financial managers, customer-centric service, and many others. I believe that we were able to achieve a

lot over the course of the year," Shikongo said. He further noted that the partnership with NIPAM will continue to grow because "It's not just about investing money into NIPAM; it's about the returns we are seeing, ensuring that our members are trained, capacitated, and better prepared to serve our communities."

NIPAM's Executive Director, Mr. Heroldt Murangi, underlined that the PSAs were designed with the clear intention of identifying, acknowledging, and inspiring institutions and individuals who are making a tangible difference, often under immense pressure and with limited resources.

The PSAs are set to become an annual event, aimed at promoting and sustaining high performance across Namibia's public service.



TRAINING COURSE ON HOSTAGE AND SUICIDE NEGOTIATIONS

■ BY INSP C.M. LIMBO

A total of twenty-seven (27) personnel, drawn from the Border and Infrastructure Protection Directorate, the Special Reserve Force Division, as well as a representative from the Kunene Region, attended a substantial and momentous course on Hostage and Suicide Negotiations. The course was officially opened on 01 September 2025 at the Israel Patrick Iiyambo Police College in Olympia, Windhoek. The event was officiated by the Inspector General of the Namibian Police Force, Lieutenant General Joseph Shimweelao Shikongo, alongside senior officials from the South African Police Service and course facilitators.

The training, which ran from 01 to 19 September 2025, aimed to impart knowledge and skills to participants to help save lives. The realities of modern policing such as crime, terrorism, violent robberies, hostage situations, barricaded suspects,

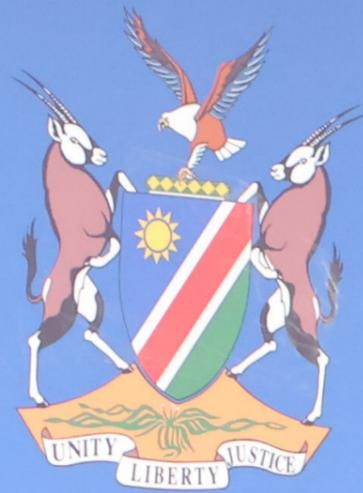
and individuals experiencing psychological distress with suicidal intentions, demand that law enforcement officers be equipped with the ability to communicate life-saving information effectively and calmly. Building rapport, reducing tension, protecting lives, and preserving public confidence in the Namibian Police Force were central to the training.

Furthermore, the course sought to enhance operational readiness, tactical proficiency, and strategic thinking among specialized units of the Namibian Police Force tasked with handling suicide and hostage negotiations. This training was particularly crucial for members of the Border and Infrastructure Protection Directorate and the Special Reserve Force Division, who often face high-risk responses, hostage rescues, and intelligence-driven tactical operations.

Topics covered during the training included: communication techniques, psychological needs, the role of the negotiator, theories supporting hostage negotiations, hostage and suicide incidents, kidnapping incidents, operational principles, the structure of a negotiating team, and the psychology of hostage takers and barricaded persons.

In his closing remarks, the Inspector General of the Namibian Police Force urged participants to remain disciplined, committed, and serious in their approach to learning. He stressed the importance of applying the acquired skills with professionalism and integrity whenever duty calls. He also applauded the course facilitators and instructors for their expertise and contribution toward building capacity within the Namibian Police Force.





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ETHICAL USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN

BY INSP. I.T. IDUWA

On 13 August 2025, Hon. Emma Theofelus, Minister of Information and Communication Technology, officially launched the Ethical Use of Social Media Campaign at the Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST).

The campaign, spearheaded by the Ministry of Information and Communication Technology (MICT), reflects a shared commitment to the ethical use of social media. It aims to raise awareness about the importance of using online platforms responsibly and to promote positive, respectful digital communication.

Hon. Theofelus acknowledged the power and opportunities that social media provides but urged society to equally confront the challenges it presents. Among these challenges are misinformation, disinformation, and invasion of privacy, all of which can negatively affect the mental health of victims.

"We have lost so many of our productive citizens to this scourge. Therefore, as caring citizens, we should speak out against these ills, both individually and collectively as a society," she said.

During the launch, Lieutenant General Joseph S. Shikongo, Inspector General of the Namibian Police Force, noted that the Force has recorded an increasing number of crimes committed through, or facilitated by, social media platforms. He highlighted that these include fraud, crimen injuria, defamation of character, theft under false pretenses, assault by threats, extortion, cyberbullying, online child sexual exploitation, trafficking in persons, distribution of explicit content without consent, hate speech, and incitement to violence.

"This campaign is not aimed at policing free speech or restricting responsible online engagement. Instead, it is about promoting ethical responsibility and encouraging every Namibian to think before they post, verify before they share, and engage without causing harm," he stressed.

The Namibian Police Force has pledged its full support to the campaign and reaffirmed its commitment to safeguarding both the physical and digital safety of the public.



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Allow me to highlight that the 2025/2026 intake at PJKPTC comprises of 651 Cadet Constables, of which 384 are females, while 267 are males. The future is definitely female!!

Dep. Comm. Lavinia Zimmer

PJKPTC MARKS HISTORIC MILESTONE

■ BY W/O J.M. SHEEFENI

The Pius Joseph Kaundu Police Training Centre (PJKPTC) held its official opening ceremony on Monday, 18 August 2025, welcoming 651 Cadet Constables who have embarked on a nine-month Police Basic Training Course.

The intake at PJKPTC, located in the Omaheke Region, was described as historic, as for the first time in the history of police training more females were admitted than males.

Addressing the recruits, who stood in formation on the parade ground, the Commandant of the Centre, Deputy Commissioner Lavinia Zimmer, described 2025 as a landmark year for women. "Allow me to highlight that the 2025/2026 intake at PJKPTC comprises 651 Cadet Constables, of which 384 are females, while 267 are males. The future is definitely female!" she stated in her welcoming remarks.

She further emphasized the importance of the training and its impact on both the Force and the country at large: "This training intervention impacts not only the cadets, but also the Police Force and the entire nation, by producing suitable, competent, fit and proper Police Officers with a passion for serving the nation."

Gracing the occasion in his capacity as representative of the Inspector General of the Namibian Police Force was the Regional Commander of the Omaheke Region, Commissioner Heinrich Tjiveze.

Delivering the keynote address on behalf of the IGP, Commissioner Tjiveze applauded the cadets for choosing policing as a career path, noting that this marked the beginning of a new chapter in their lives dedicated to the noble cause of law enforcement.

"This training will ensure that you are transformed into guardians of justice, pillars of society, and protectors of peace and security," he said.

As he officially declared the Police Basic Training Course 2025/2026 open, Commissioner Tjiveze reminded the cadets that they are now in a disciplined training environment and urged them to respect and adhere to the rules and regulations at all times.

The training at PJKPTC is running concurrently with similar programs at the Ruben Danger Ashipala Police Training Centre in the Oshana Region and the Simon Mutumba Mutumba Police Training Centre in the Zambezi Region, bringing the combined total of Cadet Constables under training at the three centers to about 2000.



LISWANI P.S. VISITS ZAMBEZI NAMPOL REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS

BY C/INSP. K. SITALI

On 7 August 2025, a group of 45 Grade 1 learners accompanied by four teachers paid a courtesy visit to the Zambezi Regional Police Headquarters, where they were welcomed by the Regional Commander, Commissioner Andreas Shilelo. Liswani Primary School is located in the Katima Mulilo Rural Constituency.

Commissioner Shilelo applauded the school management for choosing NamPol offices as part of the learners' educational exposure. He further urged the learners to take their education seriously so that they may grow to become responsible citizens.



As part of their familiarization tour, the learners visited the Communication Division and the Special Reserve Force offices. They were also oriented by members of the Community Policing and Explosives Control Sub-divisions on various safety topics, including home and school safety, the dangers of explosives, and road safety awareness.

The visit was conducted in line with the pre-primary curriculum, which requires learners to cover topics such as **My Country, Occupations, Services and Means of Transport**. Exposure to such environments allows learners to see, experience, and interact with real-life examples, thereby enhancing their learning.

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NAMPOL HAILED AS GCS'S BEST PERFORMING INSTITUTION

■ BY C/INSP P.S. HAIKALI & INSP C.M. LIMBO

A four-day Government Communication System (GCS) Refresher Workshop, held at Swakopmund's Atlantic Villa Guest House from 5–8 August 2025, yielded commendable results in line with the stakeholders' plan.

The workshop was attended by senior officers within the Directorate of Public Service Innovation and Reform (DPSIR), including the Director, Deputy Director, and Chief Policy Analyst from the Office of the Prime Minister (OPM), who coordinated and facilitated the sessions. Public Relations Officers from Offices, Ministries, and Agencies (O/M/As), as well as Regional Councils (RCs), also participated.

The purpose of the workshop was twofold: to impart knowledge to new participants unfamiliar with the Government Communication System and to refresh the skills of those previously exposed to it. Facilitators ensured that all attendees were inducted on the system's effectiveness, with a focus on administrator logins, extracting received information, generating reports, and responding to customer queries.

Participants also engaged in dialogue on improving the system, including customizing customer feedback forms for both O/M/As and RCs. In addition to theoretical content, practical sessions were held, during which trainees demonstrated their ability to use the GCS (specifically the online feedback button system) to assess their understanding.

One of the workshop's key highlights was the **recognition of the Namibian Police Force (NamPol) as the best-performing institution**; alongside the Omaheke Regional Council for effective implementation of the GCS. As a result, NAMPOL was given the opportunity to deliver a presentation during the workshop so as to showcase how they manage the GCS.

Additionally, to present their achievements to the Prime Minister and Executive Director at a future date and venue to be confirmed.

The workshop concluded with several recommendations, including:

- Continued institutionalization of the online feedback button system.
- Use of suggestion boxes in offices.
- Leveraging platforms such as social media, newspapers, radio, and television to solicit feedback from the public.
- Intensified sensitisation and awareness-raising on the importance of the GCS among management and other stakeholders, both internally and externally.



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SOME OF THE PARTICIPANTS AND SPEAKERS

BY C/INSP E. KUWINGA

In what has been described as the first of its kind, a Communicators' Conference was held in Swakopmund, Erongo Region, from 16-18 July 2025. The event brought together communicators from public and private institutions under one roof to discuss effective communication under the theme: "Understanding the Agenda, Understanding the Narrative."

The conference was graced by senior government officials, including the Minister of Information and Communication Technology, Hon. Emma Theofelus; Deputy Minister Hon. Dino Balloti; the Deputy Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sport, Arts and Culture (MEIYSAC); and the Executive Director of the ICT Ministry, Dr. Audrey Mathe.

In her keynote address, Hon. Theofelus highlighted the critical role communicators' play in society: "It is us, gathered here, not just as communicators but also as leaders of society, from chief executive officers to councilors and journalists who hold the power to inform, to educate, and to inspire change." She emphasized that truth builds trust, noting that when communicators are trusted, misinformation and disinformation can be overcome.

"This is the time to serve the public collectively. I urge each one of you to embrace the opportunities that lie ahead, challenge the status quo, and push the boundaries of what is possible through the art of communication. Let us commit ourselves to being not just communicators, but agents of change, advocates for truth, and champions for a better tomorrow."

In her concluding remarks, Hon. Theofelus hailed the conference as a source of inspiration, a catalyst for innovation, and a beacon of hope for a future where communication empowers, enlightens, and connects all Namibians in their diversity.

Deputy Minister Hon. Dino Balloti, representing MEIYSAC, presented on the role of his ministry in operationalizing the national vision of Her Excellency President Dr. Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah. He underscored the importance of nurturing an empowered, skilled, and innovative Namibian society, remarking: "A nation's future is built on the foundation of its children and youth." He further linked the ministerial vision to building a nation characterized by quality education, excellence in sports, youth empowerment, and vibrant arts and culture.



The **Maiden Communicators Conference** featured thought-provoking yet highly informative cluster sessions led by industry experts. These sessions covered a series of relevant topics, including: *Building Trust and Credibility, Press Statement Writing Skills, Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Communications, Government Branding and Image Management, Public Relations Officers and the Press - Future Trends, The Green Hydrogen Story and Public Participation, Media Complaints and Misinformation, Building and Nurturing Media Relationships, Strategic Public Speaking, and Interview Techniques.*

Similarly, panel discussions, moderated by world-renowned journalist Mr. Larry Madowo, unpacked top-level issues such as: The Government Agenda, Namibia's Communication Strategy – The Government Narrative, and Bridging the Gap: Effective Stakeholder Engagement for Service Delivery and Policy Impact. Presentations from various public and private sector representatives further explored strategies on internal communication structures and how these cascade effectively to the public.

Conference attendees were also equipped with tools to identify false, misleading, and manipulated content, both online and offline, whether created intentionally or unintentionally, and capable of causing harm. One of the most extensively covered topics focused on the categories of information:

- 1. Disinformation:** False information deliberately created to harm a person, social group, organisation, or country.
- 2. Misinformation:** False information not created with the intention of causing harm.
- 3. Mal-information:** Information based on real facts, but manipulated to inflict harm on a person, organization, or country.

Striking similarities were noted between the conference presentations and the publication's insights, particularly the view that open and transparent information flow forms the foundation of the social contract between people and their governments, building accountability, transparency, and, ultimately, trust.

The authors further emphasize that "Equal access to accurate information is a necessary condition for bridging social and political divides, fostering tolerance and collaboration, reducing stereotypes and prejudices, and strengthening a sense of shared identity and social cohesion."

Indeed, from the onset, and based on the program of the conference, it was clear that the discussions were not only beneficial to attendees but also to the broader public and private sectors they represented.



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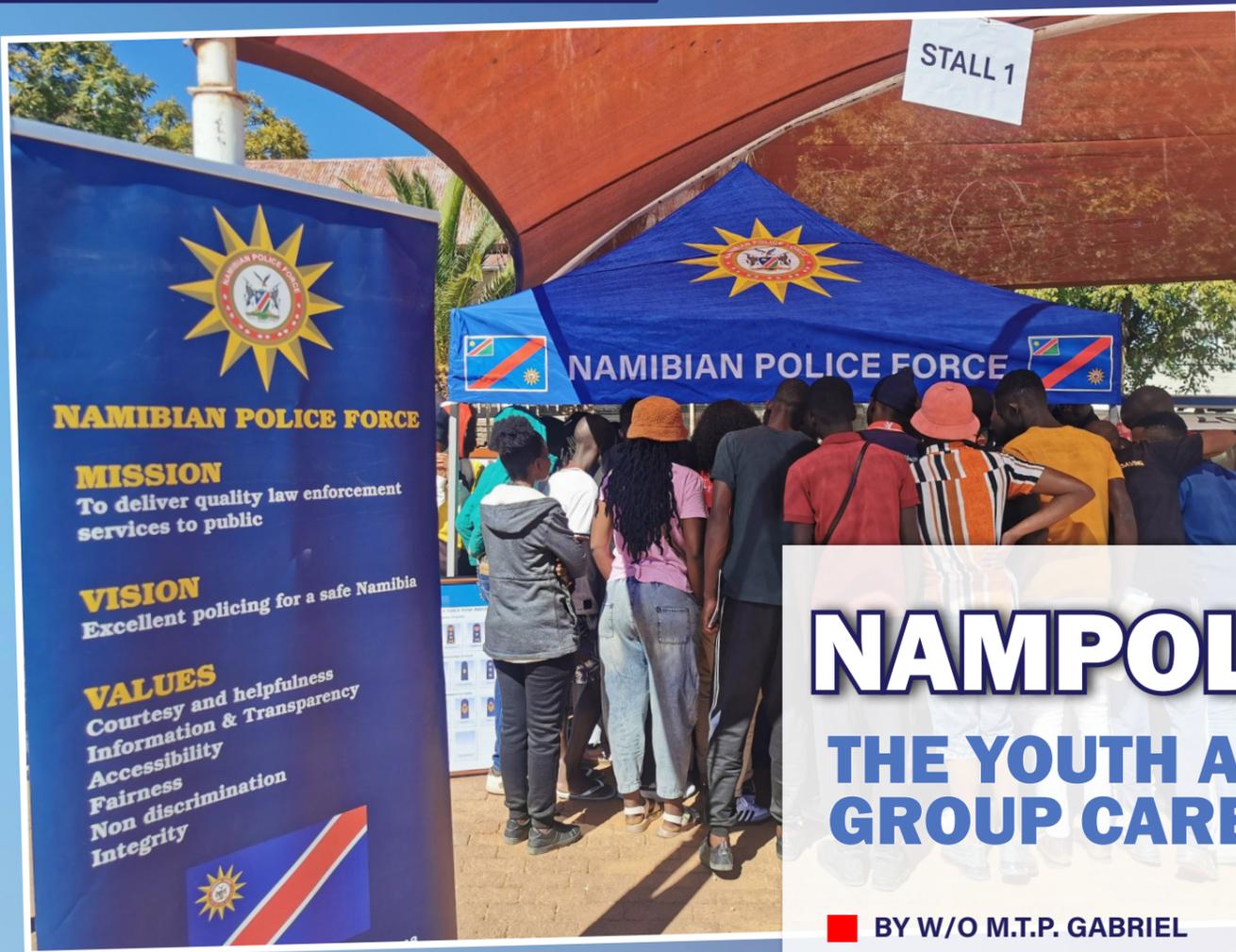


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NAMPOL ENGAGES THE YOUTH AT VICTOR YOUTH GROUP CAREER FAIR

BY W/O M.T.P. GABRIEL

On 16 August 2025, at Ausspannplatz in Windhoek, the Namibian Police Force (NamPol) participated in the Victor Youth Group Career Fair. The event, which drew a large turnout of enthusiastic young people, provided an important platform for career guidance and skills development.

NamPol's Public Relations Division, Drug Law Enforcement Sub-Division, and Explosives Control Sub-Division actively engaged participants by sharing valuable insights on career opportunities within the force. Learners received information on the diverse career paths available in policing, ranging from operational to administrative roles. The team also emphasized the importance of discipline, integrity, and service to the nation as guiding values for a successful career in NamPol.

Beyond career guidance, the divisions addressed pressing youth-related issues, particularly the dangers of substance and alcohol abuse. Learners were educated on the harmful effects of drugs, their link to crime, and how informed decision-making can safeguard their future. The interactive sessions created a platform for young people to ask questions and receive firsthand advice on avoiding risky behaviors.

A highlight of the day was a captivating K9 demonstration by the Explosives Control Sub-Division. Police officers showcased the impressive skills of trained dogs in detecting explosives and illegal substances. The live demonstration not only entertained the crowd but also highlighted the vital role of specialized police units in maintaining national security and public safety. The event was well attended, with youth from diverse backgrounds expressing great interest in exploring policing as a career path.

The Victor Youth Group Career Fair underscored the importance of collaboration between community organizations and the Namibian Police Force in shaping the country's future. Through initiatives such as these, NamPol continues to build trust, inspire the youth, and strengthen its role as both a protector and partner in national development.







CAPACITY-BUILDING WORKSHOP ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

■ BY INSP N. HADIBO

On 18-26 September 2025 at the Namibia Police National Headquarters, forty (40) NamPol members were trained on intellectual property rights. The workshop was facilitated by officials from different stakeholders such as NAMRA, BIPA and NASCAM.

The aim of the workshop was to strengthening inter-agency collaboration in the protection of intellectual property rights in our country. As the global economy is rapidly ever-changing towards knowledge, innovation, and creativity as its primary drivers. Intellectual property, which includes patents, trademarks, copyrights and industrial designs is at the very heart of this

transformation.

The Inspector General of police through Commissioner Ngondo, highlighted that it is imperative for law enforcement officers to be aware of intellectual property rights in order to be able to effectively enforce laws that protect such rights.

Furthermore, the IGP hinted that the illicit trade in counterfeit goods, piracy and intellectual property theft does not only undermine the legitimate economy and innovation, but also poses serious risks to consumer health, safety and national security. Hence it is the duty of law

enforcement officers to understand these threats and respond effectively.

The participants are expected to induct fellow colleagues with the knowledge gained during the workshop and raise awareness on intellectual property crimes, upon returning to their respective duty stations. "Combating intellectual property crimes is not a technical issue yet, it is a moral and economic imperative. Law enforcement should support innovation, protect local and international brands, and contribute to secure business environment that attracts investment and promotes entrepreneurship".



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NAMPOL LAUNCHES SEPTEMBER AMNESTY CAMPAIGN 2025, IN WINDHOEK

■ BY INSP C.M. LIMBO

September is marked on the calendar of the Namibian Police Force (NamPol) and its partners as the month for the voluntary surrender of illegal and unwanted firearms and ammunition by members of the public. On 29 August 2025, at the Goreagab Informal Settlement Soccer Field in Windhoek, Khomas Region, NamPol officially launched the September Amnesty Month 2025.

The event was attended by several dignitaries and senior officials, including the Inspector General of the Namibian Police Force, Lieutenant General Joseph Shimweelao Shikongo, who read the speech by the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security, Honourable Lucia Lipumbu, MP, in absentia, and the Deputy

Inspector General for Operations, Major General Elias Mutota.

The main purpose of the gathering was to launch the amnesty campaign, which runs from 1 to 30 September 2025. The initiative urges members of the public to voluntarily surrender unlicensed, illegal, or unwanted weapons, ammunition, and armaments to the nearest police stations without fear of apprehension, prosecution, or punishment. The goal is to safeguard the lives and wellbeing of Namibian citizens. However, failure to surrender illegal arms and ammunition within the stipulated period may result in legal consequences.

In his remarks, Major General Elias Mutota

emphasized that the possession of illegal firearms by members of the community poses a serious threat to public safety. He noted that many of these weapons end up in the hands of violent criminals, and every citizen plays a pivotal role in making communities safer.

The concept of Amnesty Month was embraced by African Heads of State during the 29th Ordinary Session of the African Union, held in July 2017 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. September was declared "Africa Amnesty Month," initially running until 2020. The initiative was extended to 2030 by the 14th Extra-Ordinary Session of the Assembly on Silencing the Guns, held in December 2020 in Johannesburg, South Africa.





NAMIBIAN DELEGATION ATTENDS THE 27TH INTERPOL AFRICAN REGIONAL CONFERENCE

BY DEP. COMM. P.K. SHIKWAMBI

The 27th INTERPOL African Regional Conference was held from 27-29 August 2025 in Cape Town, South Africa.

Established in 1962, the African Regional Conference takes place every two years to assess the state of police cooperation and the fight against transnational crime. It brings together Heads of Police and law enforcement cooperation bodies across the region to discuss, share experiences, and take decisions on crime-related matters. Recommendations made by the conference are applied nationally in line with each country's laws and procedures.

The Namibian delegation was led by **Major General Anne-Marie Nainda**, Deputy Inspector General for Administration and INTERPOL

Executive Committee Delegate for Africa, accompanied by six senior officers.

Bringing together more than 188 senior police leaders from 56 countries, the three-day event focused on cooperation, innovation, and strengthening partnerships to combat evolving threats posed by transnational organized crime.

In his keynote address, **South Africa's Acting Minister of Police, Professor Firoz Cachalia**, stressed that the conference convened at a critical juncture, as organized transnational crime remains one of the most serious threats to peace, stability, and development in Africa and beyond.

He acknowledged that the task ahead is daunting but inspiring, and reaffirmed South

Africa's commitment to the values and objectives of INTERPOL and the spirit of African and international solidarity.

General Fannie Masemola, National Commissioner of the South African Police Service, emphasized that the gathering was not only about representing individual countries but about working as partners bound by a shared responsibility to confront the complex challenges of organized crime that undermine peace, prosperity, and the rule of law across the continent.

INTERPOL President, Major General Dr. Ahmed Naser Al-Raisi, highlighted that the conference theme "leveraging cooperation, innovation and partnership to fight transnational



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organized crime” reflected the urgent challenges faced by African nations. He added that the African Regional Conference is a testament to the enduring spirit of partnership that defines INTERPOL’s work on the continent.

INTERPOL Secretary General, Mr. Valdecy Urquiza, reiterated that the African Regional Conference is a critical platform for law enforcement to share expertise, best practices, and resources. He stressed that by listening to the needs of the region and working closely with members, INTERPOL ensures it makes a tangible impact on Africa’s safety and security.

Chairing the conference was **Mohammed Dkhissi, INTERPOL Vice President for Africa** and Director of the Moroccan Judicial Police. He

underlined that the engagements addressed a wide range of regional criminal activities, including human trafficking, migrant smuggling, environmental crimes, and cattle theft, the latter of which can be exploited to finance terrorism.

Namibia made a notable impact during the conference, with three senior law enforcement officials participating in key roles:

- **Major General Anne-Marie Nainda**, Deputy Inspector General and INTERPOL Executive Committee Delegate for Africa, moderated a session on how INTERPOL’s cutting-edge tools and partnerships are revolutionizing the fight against financial crime in Africa.
- **Commissioner Moritz Naruseb**, Head of the Criminal Investigations Directorate (CID),

delivered a presentation on country initiatives to disrupt drug trafficking and safeguard communities.

- **Deputy Commissioner Immanuel Sam**, currently based at INTERPOL Headquarters in France, moderated a session on enhancing policing capabilities in Africa.

The distinguished contributions of Namibia’s representatives brought pride to the nation, reinforcing the country’s active role in strengthening regional and international policing efforts.



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