



Press statement issued on behalf of the Executive Mayor of Midvaal Municipality Cllr Timothy Nast
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Roadblocks clamp down on drivers violating the law

On Saturday 6th November 2010 an incident between a driver and a Midvaal Traffic Official occurred in Jim Fouche road in the Midvaal Municipality. The civilian was pulled over for a routine inspection to check for outstanding warrants by Midvaal Traffic Officers.

The driver was asked to provide his vehicle registration number to the officers. He was un-cooperative and refused to give the details, becoming aggressive and insulting. He accused the officers and operator of harassment. Superintendent A. Botha who stepped in to assist was then assaulted by the driver. The driver was arrested and a case was opened at Meyerton SAPS.

Superintendent A. Botha sustained facial injuries and was taken to Vereeniging Medi Clinic. The driver appeared in the Meyerton Magistrate Court on Monday 8 November 2010 and awaits the outcome of the court case.

Midvaal Traffic Officers urge the public to co-operate during roadblocks that are also being rolled out across the country. Midvaal will continue having these operations in order to make our roads safer. Those who keep on violating the rules and the laws of the road will not get away with it.

The Executive Mayor Cllr Timothy Nast wishes to encourage road safety over the festive season as National figures show that one in three non-natural deaths in South Africa are transport related, "We want people to arrive at their destinations safely, roadblocks and vehicles check points are paramount to this."

Should the public experience any difficulties, they are welcome to contact our Complaints Department 016 360 7486/ 7500 complaints@midvaal.gov.za these details also appear on Midvaal Municipal vehicles and on our website.

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