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Re: Evidence of police involvement in Khayelitsha shooting

ANC Comment:

The ANC has repeatedly expressed its serious concern about the many allegations of police involvement in the violence that continues to sweep Khayelitsha. In particular, there have been many allegations that policemen, and especially kitskonstables, are involved in the groups of balaclavad men that have launched many terror attacks in the area over the past few weeks.

We believe that the latest incident once again demonstrates that policemen, in whatever capacity, are involved in the violence. The lack of any serious action by the authorities show that there is little political will from the government to deal with this issue effectively.

We demand that there must be a public inquiry into the role of the police in Khayelitsha. It has become imperative that the conduct of the police in the area must be subjected to public scrutiny.

Background information:

Last night a group of men wearing balaclavas attacked three houses in Site C, Khayelitsha and fired a great number of shots. In the process, three persons were injured, including a member of the ANC.

After the last attack, the group fled when neighbours started to come out of their houses. In the process they left behind a bag containing police clothes, a balaclava and a police notebook belonging to one constable Eric Ntandane.

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