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## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

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## MBHASHE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY WARNS OF A FAKE CORRESPONDENCE TO SERVICE PROVIDERS

It has come to the attention of the Municipality that there is an ongoing scam where an individual is using the identity of the Municipality to send correspondences to service providers requesting them to supply and install wooden poles along the N2.

The contents of the correspondence are as follows: "Mbhashe Local Municipality hereby extends an invitation to you to supply and install 4 000 treated wooden poles for the construction of a boundary fence along a 4km stretch of Highway N2". What makes the correspondence even more bogus is the signature used which does not belong to the Municipal Manager, Mr Mkhululi Nako. The signature line is signed off with the name of Mr M. N Mnyimba who is not the Municipal Manager of the municipality.

The municipality has not sent this correspondence to any service provider and anyone who received this correspondence should not respond to it. We further wish to apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused to all the individuals who received this correspondence.

We are faced with ongoing cyber crimes that affect many livelihoods and we urge communities to always verify any correspondences with officials of the municipality.

## Issued by the Communications Unit

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