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AZANIAN PEOPLE'S ORGANISATION

MEDIA ALERT

TO: ALL MEDIA HOUSES FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

FROM: AZAPO SECRETARY FOR GENDER & WOMEN AFFAIRS

DATE: July 31, 2022

SUBJECT: AZAPO ON PROTEST ACTION AGAINST AN UNCARING AND IMPOTENT STATE WHICH TURNS A BLIND EYE TO LAWLESSNESS

To mark the launch of Women's Month commemorative program, the Azanian People's Organisation (AZAPO) will on **Monday August 01, 2022**, embark on protest action against the impotence of the state in protecting its citizens against marauding gangs and criminals. The three spheres of government have not only failed but are unable to use resources and legal statutes in their various jurisdictions to protect communities against well-armed international militia, operating under their nose. The *rape of 8 women in Krugersdorp* shows the uncaring attitude of the state, and its unwillingness to protect ordinary citizens living in various communities in and around the greater Krugersdorp area. Statistics show that women and children, are the most vulnerable members of society to crime.

AZAPO calls on the **Mogale City Mayor** and his **Mayoral Committee, especially the Safety and Liaison Portfolio** to improve municipal policing services in the city. The Mayor should also undertake to provide material resources for patrolling to local community safety volunteers. Lastly, the Mayor should use his mandate as an alderman to inform the Minister of Defense to deploy soldiers in the greater Krugersdorp area with the view of protecting citizens from marauding gangs, criminals, and syndicates. Criminals have unleashed war against the citizens therefore, it is about time the militia meets the military might of the South African National Defense Force. It is about time government uses the army to defend its defenseless citizens against heavily armed militia.

Venue: Krugersdorp Magistrate's Court 36 Biccard St, Krugersdorp, 1739

Time: 09H00

Date: August 01, 2022

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