



## KWAZULU-NATAL PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT

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Hon TM Kaunda  
MEC of Transport, Community Safety and Liaison  
Kwa-Zulu Natal

**RE: Provincial Crime combating forum (PCCF) instruction 758/2018 Access to South African Police service premises by political parties**

Dear Hon Sir,

We as the DA reject the following unconstitutional circular: **Provincial Crime combating forum (PCCF) instruction 758/2018 Access to South African Police service premises by political parties**, in terms of Section 114(2)b of the South African Constitution.

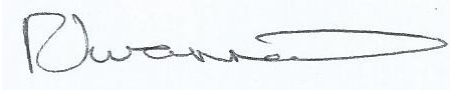
In terms of **Section 114(2)b** of the South African Constitution, Legislature representatives are empowered to undertake oversight inspections of government facilities and entities within the province. In addition, MPLs are empowered by Section 206(3) to obtain information with regard to police conduct, visible policing, police efficiency and effectiveness. Such information ensures that we can hold the police to account and keep all our communities safe.

The circular states that *“members of political parties irrespective of which party it is, and any political figures, who visit police institutions to enquire on any police business such as operations crime, resources, finances, etc cannot be afforded such information”*. This is clearly a breach of the role, duties and responsibilities of provincial legislatures and we will not adhere to this instruction.

We appeal to you MEC to publicly condemn and retract this unconstitutional directive from the Acting Commissioner in the next 48 hours.

Failing to retract the ban will see the DA in KZN conducting oversights at Police Stations across the province.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rishigen Viranna', is written on a light blue rectangular background.

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