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- 1. Your e-mail correspondence (14 September 2014, 12:21 pertaining the concerns raised by Mr Viljoen (hereinafter referred to as the complainant), refers.
- 2. The concern was diverted to Nyanga Cluster, Lt Col Preston was appointed to address the matter in terms of SO (G) 101.
- On Wednesday, 30 July 2014 at 14:00, the complainant was interviewed by Lt Col Preston at Neil Plastics. Macassar and his statement was obtained.
- 4. The complainant raised the concern of protestors that took part in the recent Numsa Strike and he mentioned that he felt that SAPS members deployed outside the factory were not sufficient and he feared for his own as well as the lives of his co-workers.
- 5. Complainant further mentioned the fact that the protestors had traditional weapons and burned tyres made him feel unsafe.
- 6. It was confirmed by the Operational Commander, Captain Le Roux that the protestors did burn a tyre which was removed by SAPS, but denied the fact that there was any person with traditional weapons during the police presence.
- 7. During the interview, the complainant indicated that Lt Col Zama of Macassar SAPS, assisted them with the registration of their criminal case docket Macassar CAS 152/07/2014 against the union member and they were satisfied with the service received from the Client Service Centre.
- On Friday 08 August 2014 at 13:00 at McNeil Plastics, during the second interview, Lt Col Preston informed the complainant that Public Order Police under the command of Lt Col Lucas was dispatched to Macassar on the 09 July 2014 after the situation report was communicated to the operational room. It was also conveyed to him that more protestors joined the small group (ten (10) to fifteen (15) protestors) that was monitored by the local SAPS members during the first



few days of the strike.

- Complainant was also informed that a situational report was made hourly to the 9. operational room by SAPS members that was deployed static in front of the factory gate. The complainant indicated that he was not aware that the situation was monitored and that he was under the impression that only the few members was deployed static for their safety.

10.	specialized units were deployed in the area. Complainant was also not aware that Public Order Police members were deployed at their factory minutes after requested by local SAPS members.
11.	No departmental steps were instituted against any SAPS member and feedback was provided to the complainant who submitted a satisfactory statement accordingly.
12.	Matter is regarded as finalized. COLONEL
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