

# **LETTER OF APPRECIATION**

**TO: THE STATION COMMANDER**

**SOUTH AFRICA POLICE SERVICES**

## **PREVENTION OF CRIME AGAINST THE RURAL COMMUNITY AND SMALL HOLDINGS**

1. The mission of the **911 RIDERS** is to show appreciation for the good work done by the local **SAPS** in prevention and safekeeping of the rural community, which includes the farming community and citizens who don't have easy access to the Government Protection Services in the rural areas.
2. Taking into consideration the limited resources at your disposal due to reasons unknown to everyone, makes it more applaudable for us as community members who have come today to add our voice to say "NO" to crime against the rural communities.
3. Together we can make a difference through community based policing. Our believe is that the **SAPS** cannot fight the war against crime alone nor can it function effectively without the involvement of the community who are able to add value in different forms. Any contribution of any kind is available through proper consultation with only one purpose in mind and that is to instill a perception of **"FEEL FREE/FEEL SAFE"** for our community.
4. In order for us to achieve this perception **"FEEL FREE/FEEL SAFE"** we have to:
  - ENSURE THAT SERVICES ARE ACCESSIBLE TO ALL
  - RAISE COMMUNITY SAFETY AWARENESS
  - PROMOTE RURAL DEVELOPMENT
  - HAVE A MULTY DISCIPLINARY APPROACH
5. Our plea today is to continue allowing the community within your Policing area to bring expertise and to support you with the following:
  - Root cause identification;
  - Community involvement (problem solving & prevention of murders);
  - Awareness campaigns to prevent these unnecessary murders;
  - Community development (skill development);
  - After care of family members.
6. We would also like to focus your attention on the following:
  - 6.1. For every farmer that is murdered, the country not only loses a valuable family member but it also results in;
    - 6.1.1. Lost opportunity to supply food to the country;
    - 6.1.2. Loss of employment opportunities in the community;

- 6.1.3. Loss of valuable skills and a resource with years of experience is removed from the already strained farming sector that has to produce food for this country;
- 6.2. No country and community can exist without farmers and farm workers;
7. Our believe is that through togetherness we can make a difference with a “**US**” approach.
8. We are here today to offer our services for free and to make a difference together with the SAPS and other NGO’s (NONE GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS).
9. We appreciate your effort to make time to meet us today, **BEST WISHES**

**911 RIDERS** – “Riding with a CAUSE”

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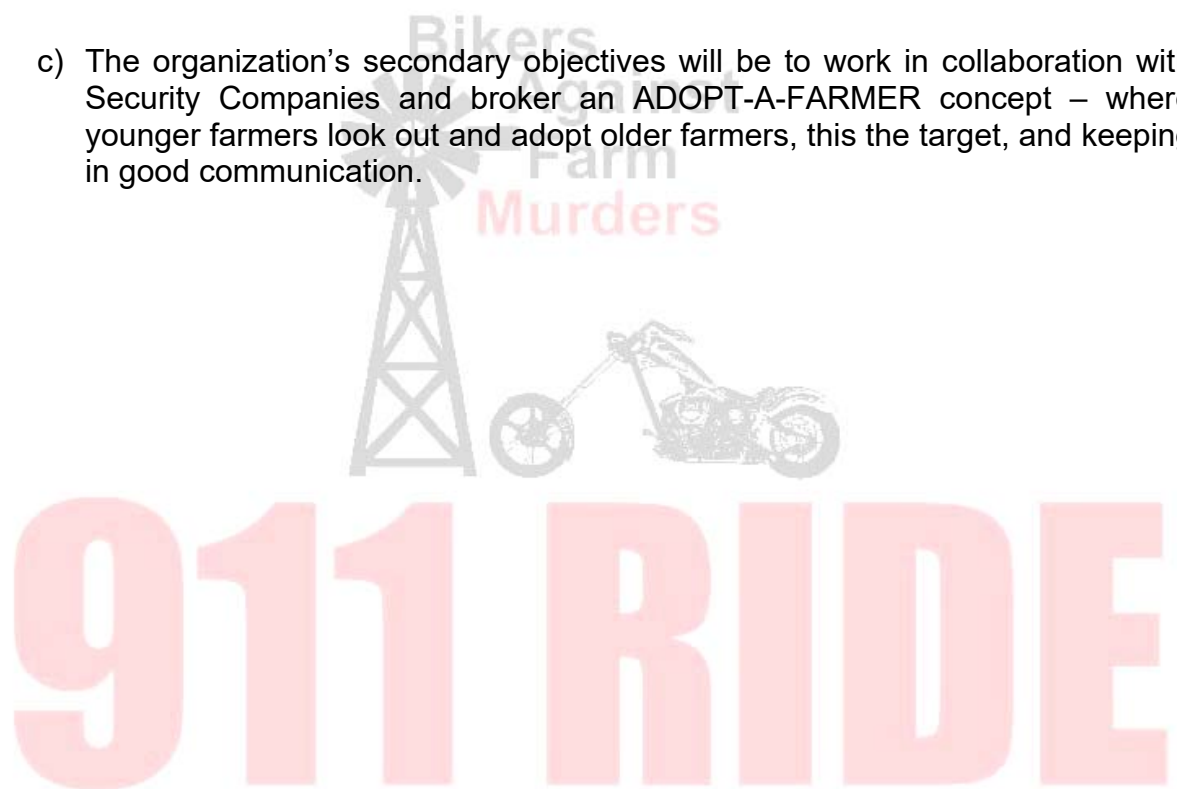


# 911 RIDE

## ANNEXURE A

### “OBJECTIVES”

- a) The organization's main objectives are to unite Bikers & Biker Clubs and join forces with other like-minded groups nationally, irrespective of race, background or religion, to honor the thousands of farmers brutally murdered and support the thousands of farmers who live in constant fear of being the next victims.
- b) The organization's mission is to assist farmers, their families and the farm workers after a farm attack by raising awareness publically on the importance of our farmers as to not become the next starving African country.
- c) The organization's secondary objectives will be to work in collaboration with Security Companies and broker an ADOPT-A-FARMER concept – where younger farmers look out and adopt older farmers, this the target, and keeping in good communication.



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