



## PRESS RELEASE

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### **Two nailed for alleged fraudulent issuing roadworthy certificate**

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Gauteng -: Members of the National Traffic Anti-Corruption Unit (NTACU) have arrested a private vehicle examiner and the owner of a vehicle licensing company in Johannesburg for issuing a fraudulent vehicle roadworthy certificate.

It is alleged that the two colluded to have roadworthy certificate issued for a vehicle without physically examining the car and testing it as required.

The NTACU launched an investigation following a complaint that a private examiner at Motorcity vehicle testing station in Langlaagte had certified a white bakkie as roadworthy while it was parked at another place.

The examiner had allegedly been approached by the owner of a business trading as Gauteng registration and license bureau for a roadworthy certificate on the vehicle. Gauteng registration and license bureau operates as a business that assist the public to obtain vehicle registration and licenses.

It has been alleged that the vehicle concerned had defects and had failed a roadworthiness test at another testing station.

Members of the anti-corruption unit have obtained evidence that showed that the vehicle was not presented to the examiner for evaluation before its roadworthiness certificate was issued.

The two are expected to appear in court on Thursday (28 April 2016) on charges of fraud.

Un-roadworthy vehicles contribute significantly to the road collisions, injuries and deaths. The other contributing factors to fatal crashes are human behaviour and the environment. Tyres, faulty brakes and steering wheel are the key vehicle components that play a role in collisions.

This is the second arrest made in a month in connection with fraud and corruption within the private vehicle testing centres. The first arrest was made in Newcastle in KwaZulu Natal where a private vehicle examiner was caught after issuing a roadworthy certificate for a vehicle that was not physically taken to the station for testing.

Members of the public who may have information on fraud and corruption within vehicle testing station are urged to provide such information on 0861 400 800.

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