



MEDIA STATEMENT

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TWO TSHWANE METRO POLICE DEPARTMENT (TMPD) OFFICERS RECEIVE BAIL

PRETORIA: Two Tshwane Metro Police Department (TMPD) officers arrested for allegedly soliciting a bribe, have been released on bail by the Pretoria Commercial Crimes Court.

The two, a sergeant and a constable, appeared in court today and their case was postponed until 25 June. The sergeant was granted a R1000 bail while bail for the constable was set at R500.

The two men were arrested on Friday 18 May 2018 by the Road Traffic Management Corporation's National Anti-Corruption Unit and the South African Police Service's Organised Crime Unit.

Members of the anti-corruption unit initiated an investigation after receiving a tip off from a complainant who was allegedly coerced to pay a bribe by the TMPD sergeant who threatened to suspend his vehicle's licence disc.

An arrangement was then made by an under-cover anti-corruption officer to meet the sergeant at a McDonalds outlet in the city. The suspect arrived at the scene accompanied by a colleague who is a constable.

The two became violent and attempted to escape when they realised that they were under arrest. However, law enforcement officers managed to apprehend them and detained them at the Sunnyside Police Station over the weekend before they appeared in court today.

The Road Traffic Management Corporation (RTMC) strongly condemns unlawful behaviour and urges members of the public to report any corrupt activities on 0861 400 800.

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