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The National Commissioner of Police

Royal Swaziland Police

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Dear Sir;

RE: NOTIFICATION/PERMISSION FROM THE POLICE ON HOSTING VISITORS

As has happened before, we learn from the print media that the Royal Swaziland Police believe that we need to seek permission from them when we are hosting visitors, as they did when they crushed the meeting we had with international guests in September 2013 during the Global Enquiry that was to be conducted in the country.

Similar threats have come from your Public Relations Officer in today's Times of Swaziland (11/03/15) with our intended hosting of our South African Colleagues over the weekend.

We regret that we will not seek any such permission as we are unaware of the legal requirement in this regard, but fear that it is just a discretion demand like the one applied by the Regional Commissioner Manzini Region Mr Richard Mngometulu when he crushed our intended mass meeting on the 7th March 2015 at SNAT Centre.

We are going on with the hosting of our COSATU friends and should the Police feel they need to interfere as they seem poised to do with the comments referred to above, we would be pleased to be informed of the exact legislation applicable in this regard so that we may have our attorneys assess the demand.

We trust that you will be guided accordingly.

Vincent V. Ncongwane

Secretary General

Cc: The Principal Secretary Ministry of Labour and Social Security
The Acting Commissioner of Labour Ministry of Labour and Social Security
The General Secretary COSATU
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