



media statement.

31 May 2025

Media Statement with regards to the kidnapping of the Executive Mayor and her driver.

The office of the Executive Mayor confirms that the Executive Mayor Cllr Lerato Maloka and her driver Bafana Mthembu were kidnapped on the 30 th of May 2025 and were found early hours of the 31 of May 2025 and reunited with their families.

The incident occurred when they were encountered to the Executive Mayor's home and were forcibly taken by unknown individuals into their car and abandoned the Executive Mayor's car.

Law enforcement agencies launched a coordinated and swift effort to search for them and were later found. We commend the tireless of SAPS and its agencies who worked together to bring about this positive outcome. An investigation is ongoing, and authorities are leaving no stone unturned to ensure that those responsible are brought to justice.

The Executive Mayor and her office extend heartfelt thanks for the outpouring support from her colleagues, fellow comrades, and staff during this distressing time.

Further updates will be provided by the appropriate law enforcement agencies.

Issued by the Office of the Executive Mayor

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