

**MINISTERIAL STATEMENT ON THE
MOUNTING OF TRAFFIC CHECK POINTS
BY SECURITY WINGS**

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MR. SPEAKER SIR,

I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR ACCORDING ME THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ISSUE A MINISTERIAL STATEMENT ON THE SECURITY AND TRAFFIC CHECK POINTS MOUNTED BY SECURITY WINGS IN OUR COUNTRY.

SIR, OVER THE LAST FEW WEEKS, MY MINISTRY HAS RECEIVED NUMEROUS COMPLAINTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REGARDING DISPROPORTIONATE SECURITY AND TRAFFIC CHECK POINTS WHICH THEY HAVE BEEN SUBJECTED TO BY THE SECURITY WINGS. WHILE THE SECURITY AND TRAFFIC CHECK POINTS ARE ESSENTIAL TO PROMOTION OF COMPLIANCE WITH TRAFFIC LAWS AND REGULATIONS, AS WELL AS SUCCESSFUL SECURITY MANAGEMENT, THESE CHECK POINTS CAN BE AN INCONVENIENCE TO MOTORISTS AND ALSO SUBSTANTIALLY ADD TO THE COST OF DOING BUSINESS IN THE COUNTRY.

MR. SPEAKER, TO ADDRESS THE PROBLEM OF INCESSANT SECURITY AND TRAFFIC CHECK

POINTS, MY MINISTRY HAS DIRECTED THE ZAMBIA POLICE SERVICE TO RATIONALISE THE MANAGEMENT OF SECURITY AND TRAFFIC CHECK POINTS WITHOUT COMPROMISING COMPLIANCE WITH TRAFFIC LAWS AND REGULATIONS, AS WELL AS PUBLIC SECURITY. TO THIS END, THE ZAMBIA POLICE HAS REDUCED ON THE NUMBER OF PERMANENT SECURITY AND TRAFFIC CHECK POINTS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY FROM 81 TO 40 STRATEGIC POINTS.

THE PERMANENT SECURITY CHECK POINTS PROVINCE BY PROVINCE ARE AS FOLLOWS:

LUSAKA PROVINCE:

1. KAFUE BRIDGE ON GREAT NORTH ROAD – SOUTH,
2. MAKENI TURN OFF ALONG MUMBWA ROAD,
3. CHIRUNDU (SIAVONGA JUNCTION), AND
4. CHALIMBANA (MONO TURN OFF),

COPPERBELT PROVINCE:

1. KAFULAFUTA,
2. SABINA,
3. MUKAMBO,
4. SAKANYA,
5. LUANSHYA – KITWE – NDOLA JUNCTION,
6. KAFUE BRIDGE ALONG KITWE – NDOLA DUAL CARRIAGEWAY,
7. SOLWEZI – CHINGOLA – CHILILABOMBWE JUNCTION, AND
8. KASUMBALESA.

CENTRAL PROVINCE:

1. CHISAMBA,
2. KAPIRI MPOSHI ON GREAT NORTH ROAD,
3. NANGOMA ON MUMBWA ROAD, AND
4. NDABALA.

NORTHERN PROVINCE:

1. NKOLEMFUMU ON THE KASAMA – MPIKA ROAD,
2. KASESHA, AND
3. LUWINGU.

MUCHINGA PROVINCE:

1. NAKONDE – MBALA TURN OFF,
2. ISOKA – MAFINGA TURN OFF,
3. CHINSALI – NAMBULUMA POLICE STATION,
AND
4. MPIKA WEIGH BRIDGE.

WESTERN PROVINCE:

1. KASAYA ALONG LIVINGSTONE ROAD,
2. SIOMA BRIDGE, AND
3. LEALUI JUNCTION ALONG KALABO ROAD.

LUAPULA PROVINCE

1. MUSAILA (SERENJE – SAMFYA – MANSA
JUNCTION),
2. LUWINGU – MANSA ROAD AT CHIPILI
POLICE POST,
3. MWENSE – MBERESHI ROAD JUNCTION,
AND
4. NCHELENGE – MBERESHI ROAD JUNCTION.

EASTERN PROVINCE:

1. KACHOLOLA ALONG GREAT EAST ROAD,
2. LUNDAZI – CHIPATA ROAD,

3. CHANIDA BORDER (BETWEEN ZAMBIA AND MOZAMBIQUE), AND
4. MWAMI BORDER (BETWEEN ZAMBIA AND MALAWI).

NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE:

1. MUTANDA JUNCTION IN SOLWEZI,
2. KAPIJIMPANGA ALONG SOLWEZI ROAD, AND
3. ST. DOROTHY (ALONG CHINGOLA – SOLWEZI ROAD).

SOUTHERN PROVINCE:

1. LIVINGSTONE WEIGH BRIDGE,
2. ZAWA GATE ALONG NAKATINDI ROAD, AND
3. MAZABUKA AT 10 MILES.

MR. SPEAKER SINCE SECURITY AND TRAFFIC CHECKS ARE AN ESSENTIAL TOOL FOR FIGHTING AND MONITORING CRIME, THE ZAMBIA POLICE MAY MOUNT SECURITY AND TRAFFIC CHECK POINTS AS DICTATED BY THE SECURITY SITUATION. HOWEVER, MEMBERS OF

THE PUBLIC MAY EXPECT SECURITY CHECK POINTS ONLY AT THE POINTS GIVEN IN THIS STATEMENT. MY MINISTRY SHALL PUT UP ADVERTISEMENTS IN THE ELECTRONIC AND PRINT MEDIA INFORMING THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE SENSITIVE AREAS WHERE THE SECURITY AND TRAFFIC CHECK POINTS MIGHT BE PERMANENTLY MOUNTED.

TO COMPLEMENT THESE SECURITY AND TRAFFIC POINTS, THE ZAMBIA POLICE WILL INTENSIFY MOTORISED PATROLS ON HIGHWAYS. THIS IS TO ENSURE THAT THERE IS COMPLIANCE BY ROAD USERS. THE POLICE HAVE ALSO TRAINED MORE RIDERS THROUGH THE POLICE TRAINING SCHOOLS TO ENHANCE THESE MOTORISED PATROLS.

MR. SPEAKER, IN THE RECENT PAST, WE HAVE WITNESSED WITH DISMAY INCIDENCES OF HARASSMENT OF TRAFFIC POLICE OFFICERS BY MOTORISTS, A SITUATION WHICH AS A MINISTRY AND INDEED GOVERNMENT SHALL NOT CONDONE. I WANT TO CONDEMN SUCH ACTS

IN THE STRONGEST TERMS AND WISH TO WARN ANYONE WHO SHALL BE FOUND HARASSING OFFICERS THAT THE LAW SHALL TAKE ITS COURSE.

MR. SPEAKER, I THANK YOU.