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## THE ALEXANDRA SAPS IMBIZO

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Deputy Minister of Police, Ms Makhotso Magdeline Sotyu, led the South African Police Service (SAPS) Law Enforcement and hosted an Imbizo against attacks on foreign nationals in Alexandra Township on Friday, 24th April 2015.

Also in attendance was MEC for Community Safety, Ms Sizakele Nkosi-Malobane, and High Commissioners from different African states such as Kenya, Nigeria, Burundi, Uganda and South Sudan as well as other public representatives

The Police Ministry is in full support of the President of the Republic of South Africa, His Excellency Jacob Zuma, on his call for peace and stability in the country in his message during the stakeholder engagement meeting held on 22 April 2015. In this instance, the Department of Police and the Provincial Government of Gauteng had an engagement with both locals and foreign nationals of Alexandra Township on many issues, including Government's recent approach to Joint Operations by South African Police Service (SAPS) and South African National Defence Force (SANDF); the sting operations; and the re-integration of displaced foreign nationals back to their communities.



**Figure 1: Deputy Minister of Police: Makhotso Magdeline Sotyu and High Commissioners of States during the Media briefing**



Figure 2: Part of the members of the media who were present ranging from SABC to local community media



Figure 3: The Deputy Minister addressing the community about attacks on foreign nationals





**Figure 4: Part of the community members who attended the Imbizo against xenophobia**