Media Statement
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POLICE NABBED THE SUSPECT INVOLVED IN THE KILLING OF A CHILD

POLOKWANE: In compliance with the 72 hours National activation plan, the Intelligence Led joint operation comprised of various Police Units made a major breakthrough when a 35 year old highly wanted suspect involved in the killing of an 11 year old girl at Ga-Marishane village in the Nebo Policing area outside Groblesdal, was arrested.

This arrest follows the incident of murder which occurred between the 05th and the 06th September 2019 when the deceased, Thandi Mampane, allegedly left home to school on the 05th and she never returned back.

The missing person incident was reported to the Police and a search operation ensued until her lifeless body was found in the bushes outside this village, on the 06th September 2019.

The cause of death on this young girl is not clear at this stage but the ongoing Police investigations including the autopsy will <u>tell.The</u> arrested suspect is positively linked to this incident.

The suspect will appear before the Nebo Magistrate Court on Monday the 16th September 2019, facing a charge of murder.

The Provincial Commissioner of the South African Police Service in Limpopo Lieutenant General Nneke Ledwaba, has commended the Crime Intelligence and other operational members who participated during this operation on the job well done. The Provincial Commissioner has also applauded members of the community for providing the Police with quality and reliable information which led to this milestone achievement.

The Police investigations are still continuing.

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