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The Government Sector Security Council (GSSC) has published a minimum physical security standards (MPSS) guide for government buildings, parastatal facilities and national key points. The GSSC is a multi-sectoral committee chaired by the police and includes the National Intelligence Agency and representatives from various regulatory agencies and industry associations. Speaking at the launch of the MPSS, police Assistant Commissioner Rhyno Naidoo said the standards addressed a lacuna. Speaking at the same event, Assistant Commissioner Tembele Kulu (pictured) said the GSSC had received "lots of support from the National Intelligence Agency" in crafting the MPSS. The NIA has previously developed similar minimum information security standards. A statement issued at the event added that security managers will now "be properly guided when implementing and reviewing physical security in their respective departments and institutions. All organisational resources, i.e, people, assets and physical protection of information are covered by the MPSS." The statement added MPSS are "absolutely necessary" and will also serve as a starting point toward regulations and legislation that will be enforceable and binding. "The use of these standards now will ensure that institutions will be pro-active in securing their buildings, information and people." Police officials say the MPSS guide will be a corner stone "of our security and when implemented, will represent a solid first line of defence for the installations and the ultimately the Republic of South Africa". These standards will be reviewed every five years to ensure that they remain consistent with our security measures and current demands.

TAGSgssc,mpss,security,standardssecurity standards,police Browse Digitised Items in this Collection: Call Number: B01.7.160 Identifier: AL2878 B01.7.160 Title: Minimum Physical Security Standards (MPSS) Date: January 2005 Subject: Deputy National Commissioner; Government Security Regulator; Minimum Physical Security Standards (MPSS); National Key Points; Security; South African Police Service; Standards specification Description: This is the Government Security Regulator (GSR) Minimum Physical Security Standards (MPSS), the purpose of this directive is to provide guidance to the security managers of the departments and institutions with regards to the implementation and compliance in respect to minimum physical security standards required, dated 2005. This record was released by the South African Police Service in response to the Promotion of Access to Information Act (PAIA) request SAH-2015-SAP-0007. The annexure in this document are redacted by the South African Police Service for security reasons. Creator: South African Police Service Type: Policy Format: Access copy: pdf Preservation copy: tiff Source: SAH-2015-SAP-0007; AR15/042 Language: English Coverage: South Africa Rights: South African Police Service Reference number: SAH-2015-SAP-0007Status note: Process concludedDate submitted: January 28, 2015Extension of time submitted: March 02, 2015 Stage(s): Initial request, internal appeal Request description: Request for copies of: a) the Minimum Physical Security Standards (MPSS), produced by the Government Sector Security Council (GSSC), and officially launched on 17 April 2009; b) any and all records relating to the review of the MPSS, scheduled to take place every five years (that is, 2014); c) SAPS annual reports for the financial years 2006 / 07, 2005 / 06, 2004 / 05, and 2003 / 04 (currently not available from SAPS website); and c) SAPS annual performance plans and / or planning information for the 2004 / 05 financial year (currently not available from SAPS website.) Submission of PAIA request SAH-2015-SAP-0007 Sent on: January, 28 2015 Confirmation of receipt of PAIA request SAH-2015-SAP-0007 Sent on: February, 02 2015 Response received Response date: 2015-04-24 Response nature: Released in part Received within statutory period: No Reminder to submit complaints to Chapter 9 institutions Sent on: September, 11 2015 Response date: 2015-07-29 Response nature: Deemed to have dismissed the internal appeal Received within statutory period: No Home > News > Police Service To Launch Minimum Physical Security Stand... Launch - Minimum Physical Security Standards (MPSS) booklet 15 April 2009 The media is cordially invited to the launch of the Minimum Physical Security Standards (MPSS). A Directive in the form of a booklet has been produced and it is the first product of the Government Sector Security Council (GSSC) which was formed and launched in 2007. It addresses, among many critical areas, physical security provisioning and training, compliance to standards and a platform to enhance to crime combating and crime prevention. The launch takes place on: Date: 17 April 2009 Time: 12h00 to 15h00 Venue: Auditorium, Industrial Development Corporation (IDC), 82 Grayston Drive, Sandton Your attendance and subsequent media coverage will be highly appreciated as it is also critical for the general public to have a good understanding of the security requirements for general security, national key points and parastatals. Enquiries: Senior Superintendent Vishnu Naidoo Cell: 082 567 4153 Please RSVP before Thursday, 16 April 2009 for catering purposes to: Winnie Mokolapa Tel: 012 393 1574 E-mail: mokalapaw@saps.org.za Issued by: South African Police Service 15 April 2009 We're fetching your file...Please wait a moment while we retrieve your file from its home on the internet