

CIT HEIST: HAWKS SECURE VIDEO FOOTAGE

Rustenburg – The Hawks are hoping that video recordings by people who witnessed a cash-in-transit (CIT) heist in Rustenburg on Saturday 20 July will assist them to apprehend those behind the crime.

Eyewitnesses told *Platinum Weekly* that the suspects staged an accident at the corner of Fatima Bhayat and Bosch Street by driving a white Mahindra vehicle into the armoured truck.

“They also blocked the car that was escorting the armoured truck. They then bombed the armoured vehicle,” the eyewitness said. “They used a grey Toyota Hilux bakkie and a Ford Ranger bakkie

to escape with the money. However, they did not manage to take all the cash,” the eyewitness added.

Captain Tlangelani Rikhotso, the provincial spokesperson of the Hawks, said crucial evidence is still being gathered while an investigation is being carried out. “Unfortunately, there is no identikit yet, but there are videos that were recorded by witnesses and people are encouraged to come forward with any information that could be helpful,” she said.

In recent months, armoured security vehicles in Rustenburg and surrounding areas have been targeted by criminal syndicates.



The criminals used explosives during the heist.

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- 3 If you do not know who this company is, ask your bank who it is.
- 4 Then approach the company or entity that is debiting your account to check if you did give them a mandate.
- 5 If you have given a mandate honour it, if you didn't dispute it and report it.

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SUSPECTED HOUSEBREAKERS ARRESTED

Rustenburg – Three suspected criminals were arrested on Tuesday 23 July after failing to explain to the police why they were in possession of a bolt cutter, crow bar and other items associated with housebreaking crimes.

The three, who are aged between 31 and 33 years, were arrested by the Cluster Crime Combating Unit (CCCU) in Rustenburg after police stopped them to search their vehicle.

“Five sharpened steel instruments used to open and start vehicles were also found in their possession,” police spokesperson sergeant Ofentse Mokgadi said. The three are appearing in the Rustenburg Magistrates' Court.



The housebreaking items recovered by police.



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