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## OF PROFESSIONAL HUNTING & CONSERVATION SOUTH AFRICA

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### PRESS RELEASE

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At the end of January 2024, the Custodians of Professional Hunting & Conservation South Africa became aware of an apparent moratorium on the issuing of temporary or in-transit firearm permits between South Africa, Mocambique, Eswatini and Lesotho.

To date, we have not received or seen an official Directive in this regard from the SA Police Services, the Central Firearms Registry in South Africa, the Mocambique, Eswatini or Lesotho government, or any other source.

South Africa and Mocambique are both popular destinations and international hunting tourists often combine their hunting experiences between these two countries. It is therefore important to obtain clarity on the reasons for and expected time frame of this moratorium urgently.

CPHC-SA is liaising with the respective colonel at the Central Firearms Registry in South Africa and other professional hunters and guides and outfitters organisations whose members will be affected by the moratorium. We are also in process of requesting an audience with the Minister of Police to obtain clarity regarding the situation.

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