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Three North West Traffic Officers Arrested

Three North West provincial traffic inspectors, including one with 25 years experience, were arrested for allegedly soliciting bribes today.

The three were caught in a sting operation conducted by the National Traffic Anti-corruption Unit and the Hawks in Brits.

The allegation against them is that they solicited bribes from undercover agents of the anti-corruption unit for operating motor vehicles on a public road without driving licences and other permits. A sum of R700 was paid to the officers before their arrest.

The three - aged 30 years, a 50 year-old with 25 years experience and a 38 year old - would appear at the British magistrate court tomorrow (Friday, December 30).

These arrests bring to seven the number of traffic officers nabbed in connection with bribery and corruption since the start of the festive season.

Three were arrested in the Eastern Cape earlier this month and a Gauteng inspector was arrested last week.

Corruption within law enforcement is a major contributor to lack of respect for the rules roads and the pervasive culture of impunity.

The Road Traffic Management Corporation together with other law enforcement is clamping down on this lackadaisical attitude to law enforcement in an attempt to reduce the scourge of road fatalities.

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