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SPEEDY RESPONSE BY SAPS & SECURITY COMPANY LEADS TO ARREST OF SUSPECT

On Wednesday 19 September 2018 at approximately 07h00, members of a local security company informed Captain Stephen Knapp, Communications officer at Muizenberg SAPS, that a wanted suspect, who was possibly in possession of a firearm, was sleeping at Kalk Bay harbour.

The police officer, assisted by the security personnel, proceeded to one of the arches at the harbour and after forcefully removing a lock and chain, gained entry and located the suspect.

The suspect, a 29 year old resident of Kalk Bay, was searched and found to be in possession of an imitation gas pistol, which had a remarkable resemblance to a Taurus 9mm pistol. He was arrested and detained on charges of being in possession of an imitation firearm with the intent to commit a crime. The suspect was also wanted on a house breaking and theft as well as a theft of motor vehicle case, which occurred in Kalk Bay the previous week.

Muizenberg SAPS would like to take this opportunity to thank the local security service provider and reiterated the necessity for all partners to work together to combat crime.

The suspect is currently in detention and will be appearing in the Muizenberg magistrate's court this morning.

Lieutenant Colonel Mzwandile Gqabi, acting station commander of Muizenberg SAPS, thanked Captain Knapp and the security company for their dedicated service to the community under dangerous circumstances.

Photograph attached: Captain Stephen Knapp & Warrant Officer Leon Verster

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