

# Media Release - 14/07/2000

## Public Must Be Aware Of Rip-offs In The Name Of South African National Parks

South African National Parks (SANP) would like to warn the unsuspecting public about a group of unscrupulous individuals, clad in SANP look-alike uniforms, selling items like pens and key holders supposedly to raise funds for nature conservation.

We advise the public that this is a scheme to defraud them of their money. The individuals involved have no mandate from the SANP to raise funds at street corners, shopping centres or holiday destinations like Hartbeespoort Dam.

The only SANP public fundraising initiative still active is the Kruger National Park Disaster Relief Fund which is collecting donations to help rebuild the infrastructure of the Kruger damaged by the floods in February. Members of the public who wish to contribute to this fund can do so at:

First National Bank  
Bank City Branch  
Branch Code 250805  
Account Number: 6201 4877 156

The matter of illegal fundraising activities on behalf of the SANP will be reported to the police.

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