

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

ON THE

SECURITY CHECK POINTS AND PATROLS MOUNTED DURING AND AFTER THE
PERIOD OF THE THREATENED STATE OF EMERGENCY

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Mr Speaker, I would like to thank you for giving me this opportunity to issue a brief ministerial statement on the security check points popularly referred to as roads blocks and patrols mounted by the Zambia Police Service during and after the State of Threatened Emergence.

Sir, the Zambia Police Service mounts security check points and carried regular and snap security whenever deemed essential for the purposes of tracking and monitoring criminal elements and activities. The regular security check points and snap checks are essential tools for the preservation of peace and security in the country.

Mr Speaker, following the invocation of Article 31 of the Constitution of the Republic of Zambia by His Excellency the President of the Republic of Zambia, Mr Edgar Chagwa Lungu, the Zambia Police Service enhanced security at the regular security check points and increased the number of motorised and foot patrols mounted throughout the country. While there was no increase in the number of regular check points, the numbers of officers posted to such points were increased. The regular check points were also reinforced by an increased in the number of motorised and foot patrols. As hon. Members maybe aware, some of these were joint operations.

Sir, the Zambia Police Service has forty-three permanent check points throughout the country. These are distributed by provinces as follows:

<i>Province</i>	<i>Security Check Point</i>
Lusaka	05
Copperbelt	08