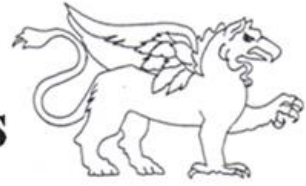




Specialised
Security Services



PROJECT:
CRIME DURING THE
FESTIVE SEASON
(PART 2)
HOME SAFETY MEASURES

*Mr Mike Bolhuis has been campaigning for
"positive paranoia" to keep the
South African public safe.*

*SSS also advocates that the public should
put personal safety measures in place.*

*Please read our latest project regarding
safety measures during the festive season:*

<https://mikebh.link/tAAigo>

GENERAL RULES:

- Many people have a surplus of cash at this time of the year for reasons such as Christmas bonuses for employees or specifically for holiday season expenses.

- Be extremely careful who knows this - cash should be locked in a safe and not lie openly in and around the office/home.
 - Do not allow holiday fever to make you less vigilant.
- Do not let too many people know when you are going on holiday, only those you trust.
- Secure all doors and windows of your home and use your alarm when the house is vacant and even when home at night.
- Do not leave Christmas presents in view from outside your home.
- If you are leaving for Christmas, make your home look occupied, leave a light on and get a trusted neighbour to check on your property.
- Test all your alarm system's zones to ensure they are working correctly.
- Make sure that CCTV cameras are working and are positioned in such a way that they give a clear view of what is happening both inside and outside your property.
- Prepare your home for optimum safety while you are away.
 - Ensure your security systems, including all alarms, motion detectors, and cameras, are in optimum working order.
 - Notify the alarm monitoring company of your departure and return dates.
 - Inform neighbours, family members and your neighbourhood security watch of the same and ask whether they could be more vigilant during this period.
- Be careful about what you post on social media.
 - Advertising the fact that you are going away may not seem like a big deal, but it could come back to bite if the information falls into the wrong hands.
 - Rather, post the experience afterwards, once you are home safely.
- Ask your neighbours to keep an eye on things.
 - Consider offering to let them use your driveway if they expect guests over the festive period. The activity will make the home appear occupied.
- Consider leaving a set of keys with someone you trust if something goes wrong inside your house.
- Discard the boxes of any expensive gifts bought.
 - It is an indication to criminals what valuables may be in the house.
- Watch for suspicious-looking people roaming the neighbourhood and report them to your local community watch.
- Do not hide the access keys to the house under the doormat or outside the house.
- Keep ladders and other tools in a safe place intruders cannot access.
- Ensure the safety of your animals.

- Try to leave pets with family or friends or try to take them on holiday.
 - Pets are exposed to firecrackers and this may lead to high anxiety levels.
 - Ensure that there is enough food and water for your animals.
 - Ask a trustworthy friend to check on animals on a regular basis.
 - If a vehicle is in the garage, remove the battery and lock it away safely.
 - When criminals break into the garage, they will not be able to steal the vehicle.
 - Inform your car insurance company about the vehicle that is left behind.
 - Ensure the car you are travelling in is equipped to handle the distance before you embark on your journey.
 - A service is advisable and your tyres' condition should also be considered.
 - Ensure you have a new spare tyre, car jack and jumper cables on the road.
 - Be prepared for first aid medical emergencies.
 - Take care that the kit is complete and all emergency items are there/have been replaced.
 - Before you leave, give a copy of your itinerary and all necessary contact information to a relative or friend.
 - This way, in case something happens on your way to your destination or on your way back home, this person will have a way to find you in cases of emergency.
 - Also, leave photocopies of your passports, credit cards, and any other types of identification with this person if something happens to your authentic copies and you need a photocopy immediately.
 - Keep a separate set of photocopies in your own luggage as well.
 - Remember that there is safety in numbers:
 - Avoid going to the ATM/bank alone.
 - Do not do your Christmas shopping alone.
 - Do not walk to the parking areas/drive alone when it is dark.
 - Do not wait alone in your vehicle while family members are shopping.
 - Avoid all desolate areas/roads.
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LOADSHEDDING:

- Loadshedding, which occurs continuously to the dismay of the public and with severe crippling effects on South Africa's economy, creates enormous pressure on the effective functioning of:
 - Safety lights.
 - Electric gate motors.
 - Alarm systems.
 - Electric fences.
 - Streetlights in the neighbourhoods.
- It is, therefore, critical that homeowners make an effort to put the following measures in place to ensure that all these electronics work even when the power is out:
 - Install mini solar panels on the security lights so there is enough light around the house.
 - Make sure the battery systems that are responsible for power supply to electric gate motors, alarm systems and electric fences will continue to supply enough power for at least as long as 6 months.
- If you have a contract with a security company, inform them when loadshedding is in your area so they can carry out regular patrols.
- Neighbours must also be informed that you will not be home when you leave.
 - Ensure they can contact you or your security company if needed.
- If possible, provide a set of house keys to someone trustworthy so they can check daily that the power is on after loadshedding:
 - Loadshedding can trip the main switch in the house.

We will post more projects regarding personal safety in the following days.

It is imperative to stay vigilant and aware of your surroundings.

Visit our Facebook page and our website for other current projects:

- <https://www.facebook.com/MikeBolhuisOfficial>
 - <http://www.mikebolhuis.co.za>
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Specialised Security Services invites the public to the Mike Bolhuis Daily Projects WhatsApp Group.

We have decided to close the previous WhatsApp channel to avoid any duplication and to centralise our efforts.

This group is important in delivering insights into the latest crime trends, awareness, warnings and the exposure of criminals.

HOW TO JOIN THE MIKE BOLHUIS DAILY PROJECTS WHATSAPP GROUP:

- Simply follow the link to our dedicated WhatsApp group: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/Ew1H1dbUR988qoG8gei2sE>
 - Hit the "FOLLOW" button to ensure you never miss our daily updates.
 - Tap on the "BELL" icon to receive instant notifications whenever a new post is placed.
 - Please share this with family, friends and colleagues.
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***ALL INFORMATION RECEIVED WITH REGARD
TO THE PROJECTS WILL BE TREATED IN THE
STRICTEST CONFIDENTIALITY AND
EVERY IDENTITY WILL BE PROTECTED.***

You may forward this document.

Regards,

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EXTREMELY IMPORTANT: All potential clients need to be aware that owing to the nature of our work as specialist investigators there are people who have been caught on the wrong side of the law - who are trying to discredit me - Mike Bolhuis and my organisation Specialised Security Services - to get themselves off the hook.

This retaliation happens on social media and creates doubt about our integrity and ability. Doubt created on social media platforms is both unwarranted and untrue.

We strongly recommend that you make up your minds concerning me and our organisation only after considering all the factual information - to the exclusion of hearsay and assumptions.

Furthermore, you are welcome to address your concerns directly with me should you still be unsatisfied with your conclusions. While the internet provides a lot of valuable information, it is also a platform that distributes a lot of false information. The distribution of false information, fake news, slander and hate speech constitutes a crime that can be prosecuted by law. Your own research discretion and discernment are imperative when choosing what and what not to believe.

STANDARD RULES APPLY: Upon appointment, we require a formal mandate with detailed instructions. Please take note that should you not make use of our services - you may not under any circumstance use my name or the name of my organisation as a means to achieve whatever end.

POPI ACT 4 of 2013 South Africa: Mike Bolhuis' "Specialised Security Services" falls under Section 6 of the act. Read more here: <https://mikebolhuis.co.za/popi-act-4-of-2013-section-6-mike-bolhuis/>

SSS TASK TEAM:

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