Official up for fraud

THE DIRECTORATE for Priority Crime Investigations (Hawks) yesterday said its serious corruption unit had arrested a 36-year-old Department of Public Works official for allegedly colluding with a service provider to defraud the government of R1.4 million.

"It is alleged that the suspect colluded with the service provider and defrauded the department of R1.4m through the submission of fraudulent payment claims for a tender," said Captain S'fiso Nyakane.

The suspect was to appear before the Bloemfontein Commercial Crimes Court today. – ANA