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Dear Member,

July E-News: Driver Safety

A recent article in the *Quest* newspaper about our drivers using the attack button on an average of four times a day has caused some concern amongst our members. I have received a lot of feedback from drivers supporting the Union's stand for more protection for its members.

Many members who have contacted us about the article are asking about the "training" in managing difficult situations that the story claims is available to all drivers.

Members would also like to know how successful CCTV has been in prosecuting offenders.

Violence against bus drivers is unacceptable. Effective deterrents must be in place.

All reports of violence or abusive behaviour must be followed up immediately, offenders must be brought to justice and that justice must be seen to be effective in dealing with this growing problem.

If you haven't read the article go [here](#).

Thank you for your continued feedback and support on this issue.

Unity is Strength

Tom Brown
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