

## **ABSA** Bank

## A "curtain" of dense fog totally neutralized a serious bank robbery

ABSA Bank is one of the 4 biggest banks in South Africa. With many branches countrywide they are a very reputable bank. TCT, who is a South African distributor of a great assortment of security solution, started working with ABSA when we first introduced our selector Door. Our Selector Door is being used in many of the ABSA banks leading into their treasury areas.

The relationship formed between ABSA and TCT after doing business together for quite some time, this allowed us to get to speak to the right people within the organization and introduce them to SmokeCloak.

At first the acceptance of this technology was very slow. The big breakthrough came when one of their branches, in which we had installed a SmokeCloak system, was robbed. The robbers came in the roof of the bank, and the minute they dropped in, the SmokeCloak discharged and they left through the roof quicker than what they got in.

SmokeCloak had completely protected the bank from any losses whatsoever. Obviously this was a great success for the bank and an even bigger one for TCT and SmokeCloak. We are installing a lot more systems since this incident. They have also used a counterline approach in some branches, where they have installed SmokeCloaks above the counter using a ducting method.

The SmokeCloak discharges into a pipe, and the smoke comes down vertically through holes made in the pipe creating a curtain effect along the counterline – leaving a barrier between the thieves/attackers and the bank personnel. This method totally neutralized a very serious bank robbery in ABSA Lyttleton Pretoria proving this effective application. This is a very effective method to create a barrier and to keep the staff feeling safe in an attack situation.



SmokeCloaks mission is to reduce risk and loss for our customers!

With operation in more than 50 countries throughout the world and more than 20 years of experience we are the market leader within fog solutions.

Whether it is about reducing losses in the initial minutes of a break-in or reducing personal risk at fire training sessions our fog solutions provide instant safety.

Our fog and smoke machines are developed with state-of-the-art superior technology.