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From where we were, we saw the hippo off-loading about 20 to 30 men. These men also wore white headbands. The men were armed with sticks, spears, axes and shields. I ran home with my younger brother to wake my family up. We ran up Sengu Street which is the street we live in.
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We got home and knocked. While we were waiting for my father to open the door, we saw the group start smashing windows in Sengu Street.
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We went inside and peeped out through the door window. I saw the group of armed men in Sengu Street.
7. We then hid ourselves in a back room. We then heard
our windows smash. My father and I saw them smash our windows with their weapons. The TV then turned itself on. Then the group ran away. They also said in Zulu, "wait for us, wait for us".

## AFFIDAVIT

I, the undersigned,

## EDITH HLAODI

do hereby make oath and say : -

1. I was born on the 30th July 1972. I reside at 8023 Vergenoeg, Sharpville. I am in Std. 9 at Mohloli School, Sharpville.
2. 

I was asleep at my home on Saturday night the 18th April 1992. Sometime during Saturday night or the early hours of Sunday morning, I was woken up by a noise inside the house. The lights had been switched on. I saw 6 Black males in my bedroom. I awoke as three of them pulled the blankets off me. There were four of us in the bedroom - myself, my mother, my aunt and my younger sister, Justine.
3.

There was one of the men who did the speaking. He asked for the money, the AK 47's and also asked where Kgabi was. This man claimed that Rangoane left his AK 47's at the house when he was killed. (Rangoane is the MK member who was shot by police in January. He is a relative of ours). The police had raided our house before they found Rangoane and had told us that they, the police, would kill him wherever they found him).
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My younger sister, Justine, who was 19 years old replied that there is no money and no AK's. The man replied that "you must not answer what you don't know about, because I am going to shoot you".

At the same time, the other men brought my grandparents into the small bedroom as well as Vilakazi, who was sleeping in the dining room. Vilakazi was a friend who was visiting us. There were also two fourteen year old boys who were sleeping in the main bedroom. One was my brother and the other a cousin.

After that, one of the men, who was wearing short pants, took Justine into the main bedroom where my grandparents had been sleeping. Another of the men took my aunt into the main bedroom.

One of the men came and took me out of the room into the main bedroom. He raped me. I saw that the other two had also been raped. One of the men came in from outside and said he objected to the raping. No one listened to him.
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10. The man who had been doing all the speaking had a firearm. For no apparent reason, he started shooting at us. We had all been ordered to sit along the wall under the window. When the shooting started, I just closed my ears and lay on the floor.
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While I was being raped, the man who had raped Justine, asked the man who was raping me for his pistol. He gave the other man his pistol who then pushed him off me and dragged me into the room where the others were.
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While we were in the small bedroom, Vilakazi was taken into the dining room. It seems that Jafta knew one of the assailants because I could hear him saying "Ndo-Ndo, what are you doing to me?". I know of an Ndo-Ndo who is an Inkatha member, but I did not see him that evening. It is quite possible that it was the same Ndo-Ndo because Jafta Vilakazi also knew Ndo-Ndo well, by sight.
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They then wanted to take me with them for further questioning. The first group of police treated me well. A second group of police arrived. This was the same group who had been looking for Kgabi. They treated me very badly and refused to let Kgabi go into the house. Kgabi is my uncle and belongs to the defence structures in the area. Both groups of policemen were Whites. The first group wore camouflage uniform. The second group wore private clothes. I don't know their names but $I$ could recognise them.

The bodies were fetched many hours later in the morning.
17.

I am the sole survivor of the attack. I think the men must have thought that $I$ was dead because the blood from my mother had splattered all over me.

Thus sworn to and signed before me at Soweto on this 20 April 1992, the Deponent having acknowledged that she knows and understands the contents of the above affidavit and considers it binding on her conscience.

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## AFFIDAVIT

I, the undersigned,

## PETRUS HLAZO

do hereby state under oath : -

1. I am a 17 year old school student, and resident at Boipatong township.
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The facts herein contained are within my personal knowledge and to the best of my belief are true and correct.
3. On the 29th November 1991, at approximately 7p.m I accompanied my friend Sipho Mazibuko to take food to his brother, Mzi, who works at Van Leer Packaging in the Boipatong Industrial Area. At the time, $I$ was wearing an ANC T-shirt
4.

Before we reached Van Leer, we passed by a Trek garage situated in the Boipatong Industrial area. At the garage there were a group of young boys, approximately 20 in number. They were all around my age. One of the boys in this group called us over.
5. We responded and went over to the group. As we got there, I was hit in my face, as was sipho.

We tried to run away, but were caught by these boys.

We were then dragged to the Mabiki Dump, which is a dump for factory waste in the Industrial Area. While being dragged we were asked if we know where the guns of the comrades are. We said we did not know anything about guns.

They then dragged us by our belts and forced us to walk with them. As we did so we were repeatedly asked about guns. We were also asked who had burned Nama Shabangu's house.
6.

We were taken along the tar road, leading to the Kwa-Madala Hostel's main gate.

On route to the Kwa-Madala Hostel, one of the young boys picked up a bottle and cut my right chin with it. My chin was bleeding and there were several deep scratches. I still have a scar.

On arrival at Kwa-Madala, there were security guards at the gate, but the boys covered up that they were coercing us as we went past. The security did not check who was entering and there was no register which had to be signed at the gate.

We were dragged into the compound and when we were inside, people who had been sitting around near the gates, gathered around us.

One man from amongst the group, an elderly man, asked the boys "where did you get them?". He then said to the boys that there were to be no more killings in the compounds and continued "you better kill them outside".

We were handed over to two older boys and we were led to a rondavel in the hostel complex.

After we again denied any knowledge of arms, we were sjambokked. I was sjamboked on my left front upper chest region up to my shoulder and also on my upper back region, close to my shoulder. I was sjambokked about 10 times. I have several scars in these areas of my body.

I heard someone in the room tell them to stop. Nan then entered the room and he was asked if he knows us. He said he did not know us. I did not know him prior to this incident but heard him being called Nama.
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I was then told by Nan to leave the hostel. I did so and walked home. I do not remember how long it took me to get home.
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At the Vanderbijlpark Police Station, we were told to go to the Sebokeng Police Station, by a Mr. Mazibuko, a policeman stationed at the Vanderbijlpark Police Station.

He said he had heard that a young boy's corpse had been found near the Kwa-Madala Hostel. He informed us that the body had been taken to the Sebokeng Government Mortuary.
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The following morning $I$ was fetched at home by Siphon's brother. He asked me to accompany him to the Vanderbijlpark Police Station to enquire whether Sipho had been arrested.

We went to the mortuary, where we identified sipho's corpse. His corpse was full of blood and his eyes appeared to have been gauged out.

Sipho was a very close friend of mine. We grew up together as he lived opposite my house. He was 21 years old.

I went to lay a charge at the Sebokeng Police station the following Monday. I was given a form to consult a doctor and I consulted Doctor Niemand at the Vanderbiljpark Civic Centre. He examined me and $I$ handed the report back to the police.

I was called to an I.D. Parade by the police and I identified 2 of the young men. The 2 men whom $I$ had identified had been part of the initial group at the garage who had abducted us from there.


THUS DONE, SIGNED AND SWORN TO before me at JOHANNESBURG on this the $24 T$ day of mavch 1992, the Deponent having affirmed that she knows and understands the contents of this affidavit, has no objection to taking this oath and considers this oath binding on his conscience.


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1. I have lived at the above address for about four years. After the death of Elisa Motsoetsa's mother (who was my cousin), I moved into the house to take care of her children.
2. On the 17th June 1992, the following people were at home -
i. Eliza Motsoetsa
ii. Maria - Elisa's sister
iii. Samuel - Elisa's brother
iv. Myself.

3. Soon after going to bed, we heard the sound of a motor vehicle outside. I peeped through the window. I saw a hippo parked at the corner of the street (address is on box at Dr. Whlapo Schools corner of Lekoa Street). Many men jumped out of the hippo. The men wore overcoats and balaclavas. The men started shooting.

4. I told Elisa and Maria to hide under the bed. I also followed them. I then heard a white man say in

Afrikaans "maak die deur oop". The men were hitting and kicking the doors. They succeeded in opening the front door.
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When they entered the house, they asked "where are the dogs" - in Zulu. I peeped from under the bed and saw 5 black men and 1 white man. The white man had his sleeves rolled up. He switched on the light for a moment, but switched it off very soon after somebody said that the light should not be switched on. I think it was a white man speaking Zulu - I heard his accent. The white man rolled down his sleeves before the lights were switched off.
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The white man was shooting inside the house, while the others went to the other bedroom where Benjamin and Samuel were. We heard Samuel crying. The men broke lots of things in the home. Benjamin and Samuel were stabbed. Benjamin died immediately and Samuel died later.

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## STATEMENT

1. 

On the 17th June 1992, I knocked off at 21h00. I got home at +/- 21h15. I watched King with my wife until about 21 h 40 . Later I switched it off and went to sleep. Shortly thereafter, I heard my 2 boys, steven and Joseph, outside the house. I looked out the window. They were shouting for me to open the door.
2.

I immediately rose up to open the door for the boys. My sons said that Inkatha is attacking. I opened the door. On opening the door, I heard the shattering of windows. I heard that somebody was smashing windows of the houses nearby. I let the boys in. I locked the door and opened the glass window in the door to see what was happening. On looking through the door, I saw a group of men. I am unable to state whether these men were Black or White. They were a distance away from my house. I noticed that these men were wearing white headbands. I am unable to state what these men had in their possession. These men walked quietly. I saw these men come towards my house. I ordered my family

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