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DIRECTOR GENERAL

Evaton Residents Vigilance Association

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The Chief Director,  
Orange - Vaal Admin. Board,  
Private Bag X029,  
Van Der Bijl Park.

Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith a letter written to the Honourable Minister of Co - Operation and Development.

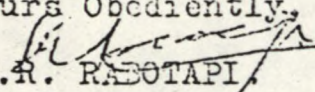
Enclosed under a separate cover is an unsealed Petition intended for perusal by the Chief Director of the Administration Board of the Orange & Vaal.

The Chief Director is further kindly requested to transmit the Petition, the Signatories and the covering letter to His Hon. the Minister of Co-Operation and Development.

It is further requested that should the Hon. Minister desire to meet the Evaton Residents, the Chief Director should kindly make arrangements for such a meeting.

Thanking you,

Yours Obediently,

  
S.R. RABOTAPI.

Secretary, EVATON RESIDENTS VIGILANCE ASS'N.

# Evaton Residents Vigilance Association

ADAM ROAD,

EVATON

1 August 1979.

The Hon. Minister of Co-Operation and Development,  
c/o Orange-Vaal Administration Board,  
Private Bag X629,  
VIL D.R. BUREAU PARK.1960

Sir,

The Evaton Residents Vigilance Association hereby humbly presents to the Hon Minister Suggestions and Recommendations embodied in a Petition drawn by Evaton Residents for Consideration by the Hon. Minister.

The Petition as such depicts among other things, a background to the present situation in Evaton, projecting certain incidents which occurred when Evaton was declared a Designated Area under the Sebokeng Management Board, highlighting a glaring lack of communication between the Board and the Residents.

Evaton Residents have no doubt in their minds that their situation is not irredeemable, and by signing the Petition attached herewith they bury the hatchet in order to be involved in a process to correct - by reversion or compromise wrongs and irregularities which allegedly occurred because of the stalemate.

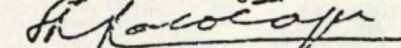
Evaton Residents further feel that with the present climate of relationship with the Administration Board, much can be achieved towards making Evaton what the Residents wish it to be.

Should it please His Hon. the Minister, a Delegation from the Vigilance Association could kindly meet the Minister at His earliest convenience should He after consideration of the Petition and consultation with the Administration Board, find it necessary.

Thanking you in Anticipation,

I am,

Yours Humbly,



S.R. RABOTAPI.

SECRETARY, EVATON RESIDENTS VIGILANCE ASS'N.

## ANNEXURE II

### THE WAYS TO IMPROVE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN EVATON RESIDENTS AND THE ADMINISTRATION BOARD.

There can be no doubt that the Vaal Triangle Administration Board is doing much to create happy and healthy relationships between itself and the Communities under its jurisdiction. This is aptly evidenced by extensive housing schemes, as well as vast working, schooling and recreational facilities created for the Residents in this area. But in contrast to these marks of progress, a great deal of convincing has still to be done in Evaton because of the dark prelude which engulfed Evaton People with bitterness, frustration and despair when Evaton was declared a Designated Area under the jurisdiction of the Sebokeng Management Board. These agitations emanated from:

The uncompromising attitude of the Boards Inspectors in demolishing Residents' houses because they were said to be unsightly (see Annexure I)

The gradual and systematic expropriation of Sites belonging to Residents ( The Board has acquired 700 to 900 sites).

Ruthless arrests under Influx Control Regulations. Perhaps the Administration Board was right to employ such authoritarian methods to impose its control over the residents, but Evaton people were defenceless because they were unrepresented and had nobody to mediate on their behalf. Now that there is a Community Council and its popularity is increasing by the day, Evaton Residents have mandated it to negotiate the following subjects with the Administration Board:-

#### SITES ACQUIRED BY THE BOARD

From our analysis these sites are divided into two categories:-

i. Sites of deceased owners sold to the Board by dependants.

Evaton residents feel that in view of the fact that Evaton is basically an area where Black people are allowed to own Freehold land, Sites acquired by the Board should be sold to the numerous inhabitants of this area who are yearning to acquire sites. The sale will ofcourse not involve sites set aside for Administrative purposes (Schools, Creches, Recreational facilities etc. Money raised from the Sale of these Sites could go a long way to increase the Budget for Evaton.

ii. Sites acquired by the Board through Expropriation.

Many sites have been expropriated because of the Owners' failure to pay fees relating to Ownership Certificates. Many Owners were ignorant of the expropriation or could not be contacted by the Board for notification. As some of these people are still resident in Evaton and wish to retrieve their sites, the Community Council is mandated to negotiate with the Administration Board repossession of the sites by their owners with all liabilities paid up by the owner.

In the case where original owners are not able to meet the liabilities involved, the Board should be free to sell the sites to the next aspirants.

#### CONSOLIDATION OF OWNERS' AND OWNERSHIP CERTIFICATES.

Proclamation R322 of 1967 has been regarded by Evaton Residents as a sinister piece of legislation designed seemingly to deprive them of Land ownership rights because of two confusing sections, namely:-

OWNERS' CERTIFICATE which places land owners in the <sup>Same</sup> category

as tenants who have to pay for permit to live in the Designated Area of Evaton. This fee is paid in respect to certain services rendered by the Administration Board.

OWNERSHIP CERTIFICATE is in fact a land tax which is imposed on the land owner for the same services as under Owners' Certificate. This gives the Land Owner the impression that he pays twice for the same services. Another unsatisfactory aspect of this Certificate is a specification that this certificate does not allow the holder to live in the Designated "Area of Evaton. This in effect means that one may own a site in Evaton and yet be disallowed a permit to live on it. Ordinarily, one who owns a site should reside on it anytime he chooses to; but as one disadvantage, Influx control will not allow a man to live in Evaton - on his own site - because he does not qualify.

RECOMMENDATION. In order to eliminate all confusion regarding these two certificates, Owners' and Ownership certificates should be consolidated into one. So should the fees, so that the Owner of a Site will not have to pay for a permit, but rather a certificate for Ownership. It is further recommended that Land tax in the proposed new Ownership Certificate should be standard so that any increase in it from time to time could be attributed to the increase in what is now called Permit fees. Then all the Permit fees could be paid by tenants, who normally would have to obtain Permits to reside in Evaton.

TO ENABLE THE EVATON (SMALL FARMS) LAND OWNERS TO ENJOY SIMILAR RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES AS EVATON LAND OWNERS.

It has become evident that a certain portion of Evaton Small Farms namely Lots 32 - 75 has been proclaimed 'WHITE AREA' ( See Annexure III). This status in effect denies any Site Owner in this Area the right to transfer Land Ownership to his Heirs. As it is not conceivable at this stage that white people will ever occupy Evaton Small Farms, designation of this area as a 'White Area' is seemingly no longer relevant, neither is ownership of land by whites in the said area compatible with Group Areas Legislation. It is therefore recommended that conditions of Land Ownership in Evaton should apply to Evaton Small Farms Lots 32 - 75, so that Land Owners there may have the right to bequeath their Estates to their heirs.

It is recommended that the Community Council be allowed to negotiate with the Administration Board that those Sites which have already been expropriated because of the said Proclamation be retrieved with costs by the Heirs of the late owners, and where these have lost interest, the sites should be sold to whosoever qualifies to live in Evaton.

SURVEY OF LOTS 12 - 29.

As Evaton is now basically an Urban Area and no longer serves Farm purposes as when it was originally sold, it is now imperative that smaller pieces of land be made available for housing, and the sizes of lots referred to above are under one ownership uneconomic and unprofitable. It is recommended that the Community Council should negotiate with the Administration Board that owners of such huge tracts of land should be allowed to get their Small Farms surveyed, cut up into smaller plots and sold to qualifying residents of Evaton. This recommendation excludes Lots 13, 14, 16, 17, 20, 27, 30 & 31 which have already been cut up into One Acre stands.

ANNEXURE I

LIST OF HOUSES DEMOLISHED BY THE SETTLING ADMINISTRATION BOARD WITHOUT WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE OWNERS.

NAME AND ADDRESS OF OWNER.	NUMBER OF ROOMS DEMOLISHED.	DATE WHEN DEMOLISHED	TYPE OF NOTICE GIVEN
1. Moses Nyembe	261/5 Union Rd Small Farms <i>1x3 Room Cottage</i>	About March 1974	Houses broken while Appeal case pending. Demolished while Appeal case pending.
2. Max Mopo 250 Union Rd Small Farms	1x4 Room Cottage	About March 1974	Demolished while Appeal case pending.
3. Petros Radebe 248 Union Rd Small Farms	1x3 Room Cottage	About March 1974	Daughter forced to sign order.
4. William Loate 129 Bond Rd Evaton	1x4 Room cottage	About Feb. 1974.	Inspector forced daughter to sign Order.
5. Mr. Manoto c/o Bond & West Evaton.	1x3 Room cottage 1x2 Room Cottage	About March 1974.	Estate tenants ejected.
6. Mr. Phatjane 128 Bond Road Evaton	1x4 Room cottage	about Feb 1974	Tenant ejected after verbal notice.
7. Mr. Motsuenyane Bond Road Evaton	4x2 Room cottages	about March 1974	Tenants ejected - verbal notice.
8. David Mokgosi 115 Bond Road Evaton	2x3 Room cottages	about Dec. 1973	tenants forced sign order - ejected.
9. James Nyamane 124 Bond Road Evaton	3x2 Room Cottages	December 1973	No notice given.
10. Lawrence Komane 106 Bodea Road Evaton	3x2 Room Cottages	February 1974	No Notice given. Tenants ejected.
11. Mr. Makue. 107 Bodea Road Evaton	3x3 Room Cottages	February 1974	No Notice given. tenants ejected.
12. Paul Seitei 100 Bond Road Evaton	1x4 Room Cottage	December 1973	Verbal Notice given.
13. Saul Phlape 108 Bodea Road Evaton	2x3 Room Cottages	about Jan 1974	verbal Notice given
14. Joseph . anane 2598 West Road Evaton.	1x4 Room Cottage	Jan 1974	Was first fined then House demolished.
15. Simon Sealanyane 102 Bodea Road Evaton.	1x2 Room Cottage	111.74	Written notice served, Case Pending.
16. Mr Radebe, 103 Bodea Road Evaton	3x2 Room Cottages	2.1.74	Verbal Notice given.
17. Mr. Dladla, 111 Bodea Road Evaton	1x2 Room cottge	Feb 1974	Verbal Notice
18. Mrs Sello Max Road Evaton	1x1 Room Cottage	Dec 1973	Written Notice served.

31. NICO Sebosa 40 West Road Evaton	1x4 Room cottages	Dec 1973	Verbal Notice
32. David Makhanya 45 King Road Evaton	1x1 Room, 1x3 Room cottages	Feb 1974	No notice given
33. Mr. Nalobe, 46 King Road Evaton	3x1 Room, 1x2 Room cottages	Nov 1973	Verbal Notice
34. Mr. Matinye 38 King Road Evaton	1x4 Room Cottage	Dec 1973	Verbal Notice
35. Mr. Matinye 38 King Road Evaton	1x2 Room Cottage	Nov. 1973	Verbal Notice
36. Mr. Letima 36 King Road Evaton	1x3 Room Cottage	Jan 1974	Verbal Notice
37. Mr. Kosi 1x4 90 King Rd Evaton	1x4 Room, 1x3 Room cottages	Jan 1974	Verbal Notice
38. Mr. Mutha 33 West Road Evaton	1x4 Room Cottage	March 1974	Verbal Notice
39. Mr. Segole 29 West Road Evaton	1x2 Room Cottage	Feb 1974	Verbal Notice
40. Samuel Masibuko 31 Kent Road Evaton	1x4 Room House	13.5.74	Special Case
41. Stephen Motlari 29 Kent Road Evaton	Burned 1x4 Room Brick House	21. 5. 74	Demolished as owner did not own building
42. Elias Matsoso 8 Ernest Road Evaton	1x2 Room Cottage	- 3.74	Notice given
43. Mr. Moe Mole, 70 Ernest Rd Evaton	1x4 Room cottage	- 3.74	Notice given
44. Mr. Tshabalala, Ernest Road Evaton	1x2 Room cottage	- 4.74	Notice given

57.	Mr. Ramidibe 200 Ward Road Evaton	1 x 5 Room Cottage	- 4.74	Verbal Notice
68.	Mr. Mogapi 74 Wright Road Evaton	1 x 4 Room Cottage	- 5.74	Verbal Notice
69.	Mr Olifant. 242 Wright Road Evaton	1 x 4 Room Cottage	- 4. 74	Verbal Notice.
70.	Mr. Matshoge 231 Wright Road Evaton	1 x 3 Room Cottage	- 3.74	Verbal Notice
71.	Mr. Moroke 224 Wright Road Evaton	1 x 1 Room cottage	- 8 73	Verbal notice
72.	Mr Mabunda 234 Wright Road Evaton	1 x 2 Room cottage	- 8. 73	Verbal Notice
73.	Rev. Sandamela 229 Wright Road Evaton	3 x 2 Room cottages	- 8. 73	written <del>Verbal</del> Notice given
74.	Mr. Myeni 435 Wright Road Evaton	1 x 8 Room cottage	2.7. 74	verbal notice day before demolition.
75.	Mr. Swarts 437 Wright Road Evaton.	4 x 1 Room cottages	2.8 73	Demolished during owner's absence.
76.	Alexander Mosia 441 Wright Road Evaton	1 x 4 Roo cottage	- 1.74	Verbal Notice
77.	Mr. Sedamo 713 Baits Road Evaton	1 x 2 Room Cottage	- 1. 74	Demolished during owner's absence.
78.	Max Mashiloane 407 Adam Road Evaton	1 x 7 Room House	- 1. 74	No notice given.
79.	Jemina Mashiloane 686 Adam Road Evaton	1 x 4 Room house	- 1. 74	Verbal Notice
80.	Lydia Mashiloane 686 Adam Road	1 x 4 Roo cottage	- 1. 74	Verbal Notice
81.	Mr. Mtetwa, 564 Baits Road Evaton	1 x 5 House	- 1 x 74	Demolished during owner's absence.
82.	Mr. James Malgas 662 Easton Road Evaton	1 x 4 Room house	- 10.73	Written Notice forced to sign.
83.	Lizzie Phambo 535 Baits Road Evaton	1 x 7 Room House	- 10 73	Verbal notice given.
84.	Mrs. M. Pte 646 Baits Road Evaton.	1 x 4 Room, 1x2 Room	30.4.74	No notice given.
85.	Alina Motlana. 523 Baits Road	1 x 2 Room Cottage	- 4 .74	Verbal Notice
86.	Mr. Ramokonopi 632 Baits Road	1 x 4 Room Cottage	- 5 74	verbal notice
87.	Hamilton Makhoana 517 Baits Road Evaton	1 x 4 Room Cottage	- 4. 74	verbal Notice.
88.	Mr. Pcoe 773 Baits Road Evaton	1 x 2 Room cottage	- 4 . 74	Verbal Notice.

	1 x 2 Room Cottage.	- 5. 74	verbal
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	1 x 2 Room cottage	1974	verbal
	2 x 3 Room cottages	- 1. 74	verbal
	1 x 2 Room cottage	17. 71 74	verbal
	1 x 2 Room cottage	- 6. 74	Verbal
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	1 x 2 Room cottage	9.6. 74	verbal
146.	Simon Kgaswane 7 Evaton		
147.	Elizabeth Xaba 2705 Ward Road		
148.	Rose Buyisa 1773 Ward Road		
149.	Japie Mathe 1788 Wright Road		
150.	Andries Mualo 2722 Wright Road		
151.	Prince Tolloko 2801 Donner Road		
152.	Abel Kubeka. 1520 Donner Road		
153.	T. Marutle 1523 Donner Road		
154.	Piet Eshegong 1509 Donner Road		
155.	Abel Belo 8 Evaton		



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107.	Lagdeline Clifant 826 Hamilton Road	1 x 4 Room cottage	5.5.74	Verbal Notice.
106.	Mr. Mlotywa 925 Hamilton Road	2 x 2 Room cottage.	5.5.74	Verbal Notice.
107.	Mr. E. Moolwa. Hamilton Road	1 x 6 Room House	2.11. 73	Written Notice.
108.	Mr. Seepe 844 King Road	1 x 3 Room cottage	2. 4 .74	No notice given
109.	Mr. Sechele 955 Durban Road.	1 x 3 Room Cottage	5.7. 74	No notice given.
110.	Mr. Mokgethi 2563 Durban Road	1 x 4 Room Cottage	- 7. 74	Verbal Notice.
111.	Mrs. Agnes Nhlapo 994. Miller Road	1 x 5; 1 x 2; 1 x 2 cottages	15. 5.74	verbal Notice
112.	Mr. Fgomo 2571 Miller Road	1 x 3; 1 x 1 Room	- 2. 74	No notice given
113.	Mr. Mohlamme 1011 Miller Road Evaton.	1 x 5 Room cottage	- 10.74	Instructed to demolish.
114.	Mr. S.D. Lethoba. 2574 Miller Road	1 x 3 Room cottage	3. 3. 74	No notice given
115.	Claudia Mthobula 697 Adam Road	2 x 4 Room Cottages	/74.	Verbal Notice
116.	Shadrack Thusi 78 Evaton Road	1 x 3 Room 1 x 4 Room	4.5. 74	Verbal Notice
117.	Richard Sanoge 9. Evaton	3 x 4 Room Houses	2. 6. 74	Verbal Notice
118.	Elizabeth Serero 23 Chamberlain Road	2 x 3 Room Cottages	2. 3. 74	Verbal notice
119.	1137 Renfrew Road Isaac Mkwazi	1 x 3 Room house	3. 5. 74	verbal notice Furniture being out

91. Mr. egie 473 Maitso Road Evaton	1 x 2 Room cottage	- 12/73	Owner Instructed by Inspector to Break.
92. Mr. Ikwanazi King Road Evaton	1 x 5 Room cottage	- 3. 74	No notice given whatsoever.
93. Mrs. Ganyane 591 King Road Evaton	2 x 4 Room Houses	- 3.74	No notice given whatsoever.
94. Maake Estate 592 King Road Evaton	1 x 3 Room House	- 4 . 74	Verbal notice given
95. Mr. Ingani 535 Newman Road Evaton	1 x4; 1 x2; 1 x 3 1 x3; 1 x 4; 1 x4	- 2. 74	No Notice given whatsoever.
96. Mrs Mokhere 599 Newman Road	1 x 1 Room Cottage	-1. 74	Verbal notice
97. Mrs Ikabinde 755 Newman Road Evaton.	1 x4 Roo. cottage	- 3. 74	Demolished during owner's absence.
98. Elizabeth Hlopane 613 Newman Road	1 x 2 ; 1 x 3 Room	- 11. 73	Verbal Notice
99. Mr. Maloka 796 Newman Road Evaton.	1 x 3 Room cottag		Owner <del>was</del> not available to confirm
100. Mrs Mtlhake 777 Newman Road	1 x 1 Room; 1 x 2 Rm	- 4. 74	Verbal notice
101. Paul Pooe 646Newman Road Evaton.	1 x 4 Room cottage	3. 4 .74	Verbal notice.
102. Mr. Modise 809 Newman Rd	2 x 3 Room cottage	3. 4. 74	No Notice given.
103. Mr. Hlabane 831 Newman Road Evaton	1 x 5 Room cottage	- 4 .74	No notice. Owner left houseless.
104. Mr. Ndlovu. Hamilton Road Evaton	1 x 6 Room cottage	- 4 .74	No notice given.
105. Magdeline Clifant 826 Hamilton Road	1 x 4 Room cottage	5.5.74	Verbal Notice.
106. Mr. Mlotywa 925 Hamilton Road	2 x 2 Room cottage.	5.5.74	Verbal Notice.
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