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RE: 20 YEARS FOR HOUSE BREAKING

The Durban High Court sentenced Zamani Lloyd Blose (33) to an effective 20 years imprisonment after he pleaded guilty to several charges including robbery, housebreaking with intent to rob, robbery with aggravating circumstances, two counts of attempted murder and two counts of murder.

In his plea, Zamani said that in August 2020 he got a job as an e-hailing taxi driver. A few days later, he was transporting some men to a house in Northdene when he noticed that they had masks, gloves and weapons. They told him that they were going to commit a robbery and asked him to join them. He agreed to this and one of them changed his car number plates. They got to the house and found the driveway gate open. Blose reversed the car (for easy getaway) while others went into the house. They then ran out with some electronic equipment followed by the owners of the house. Blose sped away and dropped off his accomplices in Lamontville. They gave him R800 for his assistance and he continued with his e-hailing job.

They contacted him a week later asking for a ride to Westville. This time one of the accomplices told him to go into the house with them. They jumped over the fence and forced the door open with a crowbar. Once inside, they stole some items and encountered two women who began to scream. Their screams alerted two men who were also in the house and they confronted Blose and his accomplices with firearms. Blose and his accomplices then ran outside, alerted the others that the occupants were armed.

One of the accomplices produced a firearm and there was an exchange of gunshots. Blose was severely wounded and two of his accomplices were shot dead. Another accomplice fled on foot but was later arrested.

In his plea, Blose acknowledged that when he embarked on these crimes he foresaw that people, including himself and his accomplices, could be injured or killed but continued regardless.

He was sentenced to an effective 20 years imprisonment.

The matter was successfully prosecuted by Senior State Advocate, Krishen Shah.

The NPA welcomed the sentence and conviction on the matter.

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