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RE: LIFE IMPRISONMENT FOR RAPIST FATHER

A thirty-six year old man from Amandawe near Scottburgh was given a term of life imprisonment in the Scottburgh Regional Court last week for the rape of his seven year old daughter.

The incident came to light when the complainant's aunt noticed that the child was sitting awkwardly at the supper table. The aunt questioned the child about why she was sitting in that way and the child said that it was nothing. The aunt then checked the child's private parts and found that she was sore and hurt. The child eventually told her aunt that she was raped by her father. She did not live with him and she was raped almost every time that she stayed over at his house.

Regional court prosecutor, Akhile Gcume led the evidence of the complainant, her aunt, her grandmother and a doctor. The doctor testified that his findings were consistent with vaginal penetration.

Even though the accused denied the allegations, he was convicted of rape on numerous occasions. Further, the court agreed with prosecutor Gcume that there were no substantial and compelling circumstances justifying a lesser sentence than life imprisonment.

The National Prosecuting Authority welcomes the sentence.

Kind Regards,

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