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RE: 25 YEARS FOR RAPIST NEIGHBOUR

A 52 year-old man from Inanda was sentenced to 25 years imprisonment in the Ntuzuma Regional Court last week for the rape of his neighbour.

Earlier this year in March, the accused went to the home of the complainant who was mentally challenged. She was alone and the accused raped her. The woman reported the incident when her mother returned home.

In aggravation of sentence, Regional Court Prosecutor, Anusha Govender led DNA evidence linking the accused to the crime as well as the testimony of a psychologist who confirmed that the complainant was severely mentally challenged. She also handed in a victim impact statement facilitated by Court Preparation Officer, Xolile Mzobe.

The accused was sentenced to 25 years imprisonment.

The National Prosecuting Authority welcomes the sentence.

Kind Regards,

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