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RE: ASSETS OF POLICE OFFICER SEIZED

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The Johannesburg Office of the Asset Forfeiture Unit today executed a restraint order obtained to seize the property of a senior police officer Superintend Muraga Muluvhu, who was arrested in October 2005 on charges of fraud.

Investigations commenced when a complaint was laid with Old Mutual regarding a payment that was long overdue to Rebecca Makgwale. Rebecca's father, Lucas Makgwale was a member of Soweto City Council Pension Fund and died in1998 but the claim was not paid. Old Mutual was entrusted with the administration of the Pension Fund, and paying out claims.

Old Mutual advised that Makgwale's claim was paid out a long time ago. Investigations revealed that fraudulent documentations had been submitted by Muluvhu, who was the chairperson of the Pension Fund Board at Johannesburg Central Police Station, and who was responsible for the submission of claim documents to Old Mutual. The documents alleged that payment was to be made to an account, which later proved to be Muluvhu's father's account.

In a second complaint, forged death certificates were submitted to Old Mutual by Muluvhu to claim further payments from the Fund. The monies were paid into other people's accounts wherein Muluvhu would access it later and utilise it for his own benefit. The total amount that was fraudulently obtained is R213 065.57.

The Asset Forfeiture Unit obtained an order to seize assets to the value of the fraud that was committed. These include a big house in Venda, Makhonde village, and Pension Fund.

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