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**RE: FORMER RAND WATER MANAGER & TAXI BOSS SENTENCED
AFTER AN OFFICER MYSTERIOUSLY DIES**

Former Rand Water Manager and taxi boss from Dobsonville, Soweto was sentenced to 22 years on Friday by the Johannesburg High Court.

Quintin Sifiso Ngobese (43) worked as a Financial and Administrative Manager at Rand Water since 2006 and owns 18 minibuses. He was convicted of conspiracy to commit murder after officer Moshe Moses Segapo, investigating the murder of his former girlfriend, Nompumelelo Mogaki was mysteriously killed during December 2011.

The court heard that subsequent to his release on bail, Ngobese probed the officers' lifestyle after he labelled the officer "a stumbling block" to his acquittal in Mogaki's murder case. After monitoring the officer's daily routines, he then solicited the services of three different gunmen with the instruction to kill the officer. The state managed to prove that he supplied at least one of these persons with a firearm and ammunition to kill the deceased.

Advocate Phakanyiswa Marasela argued that the Rioters Act of 1956, section 18(2) states that, any person who conspires with any other person to aid or procure the commission of any offence, whether at common law or statutory regulation, shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to the punishment to which a person convicted of actually committing that offence would be liable. In this instance, Ngobese, aided the murderer/s (who is/are still at large), to track the officer's whereabouts and paid them to murder officer Segapo. The law dictates that he therefore receives the same sentence that would have been imposed on the actual killers.

The NPA condemns the senseless killing of police and is in the process of resuscitating the murder case of Mogaki after it was withdrawn against Ngobese due to lack of evidence.

The NPA welcomes the sentence.

Kind Regards,

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