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**RE:** KILLER GETS 3 LIFE PLUS 20 YEARS

Wonder Innocent Sibusiso Bhengu (27) was sentenced to three terms of life and 20 years imprisonment in the Pietermaritzburg High Court last week for the murders, attempted murders and aggravated robberies he committed earlier this year.

The accused, the deceased and the complainants all lived in the Ntunjambili area in Kranskop. Sometime prior to the offences, the accused and his co-conspirators decided to rob them of their valuables and cash. They armed themselves with a firearm to overcome any resistance to their plans.

On 04 February 2018, the assailants went to the Ntunjambili Bottle Store where they found the complainants and two men who are now deceased. Shots were fired and the assailants fled with liquor and cash. They then met the third man on the main road, where he was shot and killed. The two men died at the scene while the other died in hospital because of gunshot wounds.

State Advocate Frank van Heerden successfully prosecuted the matter and Court Preparation Officer, Thobekile Chuene, facilitated the court preparation process.

The Director of Public Prosecutions in KwaZulu Natal Advocate Moipone Noko said, "I hope that this sentence will deter the like-minded individuals and show them that crime does not pay. Congratulations to the Prosecutor on a job well done."

Kind Regards,

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