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RE: LIFE SENTENCE FOR RAPIST FATHER

A 34 year-old man from KwaMbonambi received a term of life imprisonment in the Ngwelezane Regional Court last week after pleading guilty to the rape of his teenage biological daughter. The accused confessed to going to his daughter's room on two occasions and raping her.

The Regional Court Prosecutor, Zakhele Nzuza submitted a victim impact statement compiled by the complainant and facilitated by Court Preparation Officer, Seneliso Nsibande. In her statement, the child mentions that she had suicidal thoughts. She also said that she has lost her integrity and does not concentrate at school because she cannot forget what happened to her.

In aggravation of sentence, Nzuza told the court that the accused as the father of the child, had a duty to protect her instead, he breached her trust and destroyed her life. He also asked the court, in sentencing the accused to send out a strong message of zero tolerance to the community, as cases of this nature are becoming prevalent.

The accused was sentenced to life imprisonment for rape.

Kind Regards,

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