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RE: MAN ABANDONS HIS BAIL APPLICATION

A 33-year-old man from Duduza in Nigel, Brian Thamsanqa Somfako abandoned his bail application earlier today at the Nigel Magistrates Court. Somfako is facing a charge of murder.

It is alleged that at around 6h00 on 13 August 2021, Somfako assaulted Samantha Zungu with a steel pipe. Somfako then took Zungu to hospital where she later died after few minutes.

It is alleged that Somfaku made a confession to one of the hospital staff about what had happened to Zungu. The hospital then called the police and Somfaku was arrested. He has been in custody since.

The matter was postponed to 30 September 2021 for further investigation.

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