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RE: MAN APPEARS IN COURT FOR KIDNAP AND MURDER OF A MINOR

Moses Makoso (31) appeared at the Brits Magistrates' Court on charges of murder and kidnapping of a seven-year-old girl as well as defeating the ends of justice.

It is alleged that on 29 April 2021, the young girl, her brother and a friend had gone to the bush in Maboloka close to Makoso's house to get traditional cucumber. Makoso called the three children to his house. He then instructed the brother and the friend to go back home to wear shoes. He promised to give them fish on their return. The two boys left and he then led the little girl back to the bushes where he strangled her to death and put wood on top of her body before he torched her.

When the two boys returned to Makoso's house, they found no one. The boys told the aunt of the young girl of what had happened. Later that day, the aunt reported the child missing to the police.

It is alleged the community and the family searched for the missing child. Only on the following day that they went to Makoso's house. He was apprehended and handed over to the police.

Makoso pointed out to the police where he had killed and burnt the minor's body. On 02 May 2021, Makoso allegedly confessed to the killing and burning of the child's body.

In court yesterday, Makoso abandoned his bail application. The matter was postponed to 28 July 2021 for further investigations.

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