

# Media Statement



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**TO: ALL MEDIA**

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**RE: MAN SENTENCED TO AN EFFECTIVE TERM OF 95 YEARS**

Tebogo Matiwane (26) was convicted on Friday, 10 November 2017 of seven counts of rape and robbery with aggravating circumstances in the Pretoria High Court sitting in Potchefstroom. The accused was sentenced to an effective term of 95 years.

It was revealed during the trial that the accused would waylay his victims in the street corners and he would threaten them with a knife, then rape them and take their belongings. During his mitigation phase, the accused arrogantly told the court that rehabilitation institutions do not work and said that it only depends on the persons choice whether he or she wants to change.

The State Prosecutor Advocate Robert Molokoane argued in aggravation of sentence that the accused has a habit of committing similar crimes and therefore not a candidate for rehabilitation. The court agreed with the state prosecutor and imposed a lengthy jail term.

The court then sentenced the accused to 95 years imprisonment on all 7 counts of rape and robbery with aggravating circumstances.

The DPP Pretoria, Advocate George Baloyi welcomes the sentence and commends the prosecutor and the investigating officer for their hard work and dedication in ensuring that justice is served.

Kind Regards,

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