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RE: TWO SUSPECTS IN COURT ON STOCK-THEFT CHARGES

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Two men from Barberspan Farm in the North West, Gift Ramadie (50) and his shepherd, Goitsemodimo Modukanele (38) appeared in the Delareyville Magistrates Court for possession of suspected stolen livestock. Their matter was postponed to 02 March 2021 for bail application.

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The accused were apprehended on Friday, 19 February 2021 after about 100 cattle and calves suspected of being stolen were found in their possession.

Initial reports from the SAPS indicate that following a stud bull worth R120 000 being reported stolen at the Delareyville and Sannieshof police station, farmers used a private helicopter to conduct a search. During the search, the bull together with cattle that were reported stolen at Delareyville and Sannieshof police stations between 02 and 18 February 2021, were found at the suspect's farm in Barberspan outside Delareyville.

From the recovered livestock, 11 cattle were positively identified by owners while others were seized by the police for further investigations to be conducted and taken to Lichtenburg pound, as their brand marks were tampered with.

The suspects will remain in police custody until their next court appearance.

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