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Murderers of Makeke sentenced to 20 years

TAC gets protection order against Yanga Janet

On 7 April, Thembinkosi Ntukani, 24, and Bonga Sibhozo, 19, were sentenced to 20 years in prison for the murder of Nandipha Makeke. According to SAPA, Magistrate Robert Matshikwe said Tukani and Sibhozi acted without reason and remorse and deserved to be removed from society.

On 2 April, Sibhozo and Ntukani were found guilty of murder and the illegal possession of a firearm and ammunition. Sibhozo was found guilty of rape and Ntukani was found to have been an accessory to the rape.

Today, 8 April, TAC filed an urgent application at the Cape High Court for protection against Yanga Janet who has been intimidating and threatening TAC members in Harare, Khayelitsha. The Court granted an interim protection order. Janet had been one of the four accused in the Makeke case, but the charges against him were dismissed because of lack of evidence.

Janet was served with the court papers on 7 April. His brother was served with court papers today. The court ruled that if Yanga wants to oppose the interdict he has to file an affidavit with the court by 12 May 2008. TAC will return to court on 22 May 2008 to ask the court to issue a final order.

Copies of the protection order will be sent to all the Western Cape branches especially the Harare branch in Khayelitsha for all TAC members to see and for the branches to show other community members. If Yanga intimidates, threatens, harms or breaks into any of the properties belonging to TAC members, the police will be made aware and he will be arrested. All TAC members have been urged to report any intimidation by Yanga and his friends. The court order also prevents him from hiring or asking anyone to intimidate, threaten or harm any TAC member. TAC Khayelitsha would like to thank the ALP and the advocates that have assisted us in getting the court order.

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