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SWORN STATEMENT

I, the undersigned [REDACTED], a Black adult male South African with ID No. [REDACTED] 081 and cell phone number +27 [REDACTED]. For my own protection, I will not be providing my residential address herein for security reasons. I state under oath in ENGLISH as follows:

1.

This statement pertains to unlawful events that took place on or between **2019** and **June 2025**, in respect of my involvement in the **South African Police Service extra judicial team**. I do not take lightly the seriousness of this matter and the fact that I partook in the events which will be detailed herein, which were wrong. I am going to tell the truth and will do so freely of my own will, without any threat of fear or favour or any other form of prejudice. I do this because I realise that what I have been doing for the last five years is morally and legally wrong and I feel sick to think I have been doing it. I am not alone. Others have told me they want to stop.

SECTION 204 CRIMINAL PROCEDURES ACT

2.

I therefore make this statement freely, voluntarily and without any undue influence in accordance with section 204 of the Act. Further, insofar as it may be necessary, subject to the provisions of section 105A of the Act; having been informed that my statement may incriminate me in various offences and notwithstanding the aforesaid, I may be called as a witness on behalf of the prosecution and further be required to answer questions which may incriminate me. However, if in the opinion of the court, I am found to have answered all questions frankly and honestly I will be discharged from prosecution on such charges or any competent verdict thereon. Further, that the contents hereof may not be utilised in any manner or be regarded as admissible evidence in any trial against me.

3.

On **2025-07-08**, following the allegations made by Lieutenant General Nhlanhla Lucky Mkhwanazi "*Mkhwanazi's*" in a national media briefing on 2025-07-06, I decided to call Mr Paul O'Sullivan of Forensics For Justice. The reason I reached out to Mr O'Sullivan was because I knew of Mr O'Sullivan and his prior investigations into corrupt police officials. I am sick of what I am taking part in, and I

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desperately want to get out and I am fearful that if I leave on my own, I will be killed, to silence me, because I know too much.

4.

On **2025-07-09** I was interviewed by Mr Paul O'Sullivan and [REDACTED] at Mr O'Sullivan's offices in Sandton. I confirm that my interview regarding this matter was audio-recorded in full, and a complete transcript of that interview is attached to this sworn statement as **Annexure '-2'**. The transcript accurately reflects the facts and circumstances as discussed during the interview. I have reviewed the contents and confirm their correctness. As such, I do not wish to repeat every detail herein, as they are comprehensively and truthfully captured in the attached transcript. I will merely mention certain facts which I believe are necessary to reiterate. I should mention that sections of the transcript have been REDACTED for my own protection. If these sections were not redacted, I would be easily identifiable and would be killed.

BACKGROUND TO EVENTS

5.

In around **2019**, when I was around [REDACTED] years old, I was approached by a tall black tall Zulu man, who seemed to be in his early seventies, whom I called "*Baba Ndlovu*", he approached me at a [REDACTED]. Ndlovu and Mkhwanazi both reside in Pietermaritzburg. I was informed that Mkhwanazi was looking for 'bright-young' men whom he could train to be what was referred to as "*an arm to the Police service*". I understood this to mean that we would be trained to be 'support services' to the police. The 'training camp/facility' located in [REDACTED], KwaZulu-Natal was a property surrounded by a fence and trees all around. I have provided Google Earth images of the location of this training camp, attached hereto as **Annexure '-1'**. There were also armed guards at this training camp.

6.

I, along with at least forty other young black males took part in rigorous training for approximately **seven months**. We were all told that we would not be paid for our time whilst training, but we were guaranteed work once the training was over. We were also being provided with free accommodation, and three meals a day whilst being trained. The first month of the training entailed fitness training



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and thereafter, three to five times a week, we were taken to a shooting range to practice shooting guns. The shooting range was about a 30 to 35 minutes' drive from the training camp. The weapons we were given to shoot with were 9mm pistols and AK47's. The 9mm pistols were known as 'CATS'.

7.

At all times, the 'leader' so to speak, of the training camp was "*Baba Ndlovu*". The other two 'supervisors' at the camp were "*Baba Mthethwa*" "*Mthethwa*". I do not know his full name, but I know his cell phone number to be +27 [REDACTED] and "*Baba Biyela*" and his cell phone number is +27 [REDACTED]. I never saw Mkhwananzi at this training camp but Mthethwa would often mention him, for example he would reference that Mkhwananzi would look out for us if we did really well and we would be "*sorted for life*". He would also make references to "*how powerful*" Mkhwanazi was. The training ended at the end of 2019.

8.

When the training was over, we were all given **R50,000.00 in cash** by Mthethwa and told to return home and await further instructions. About a week or two after being back home in KZN, I received a phone call from Mthethwa, and he told me to "*collect a package*" at [REDACTED] in [REDACTED]. Upon my arrival, I would meet some man, I never knew his name but he knew who I was and what I looked like, and he handed to me a further **R50,000.00** cash, which was held together by an elastic band, wrapped in a clear bag and then given to me in a black plastic shopping bag. A few weeks later, I received another **R20,000.00 cash** in the same manner. The total I received after the training was therefore **R120,000.00**. It would be the same man that gave me the cash every time. I would recognise him if I had to see him again.

THE UNLAWFUL MISSIONS

9.

In or around **the end of 2019, or early 2020**, there was civil unrest in KwaDukuza, KZN and I received a phone call from Mthethwa telling me to go to the same meeting spot in [REDACTED]. I was collected by prior arrangement by bus and the driver was the same man who would hand me the cash every time. We were transported to a meeting spot near the Rainbow Chicken Farm in Hammersdale. By the time of our arrival, there were about nineteen or twenty of us in the bus. We were all given suit bags with our names on them with blue SAPS uniforms inside them. The SAPS uniforms did not have

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any ranks on them nor our names on the pocket, but they looked exactly like the normal blue SAPS uniforms. Later on in our time within the Task Team, our SAPS uniforms were given rank badges. None of us were actual police officers or SAPS members.

10.

The first mission in KwaDukuza was 'a crowd control' mission where we were told to fire rubber bullets at a crowd of people that were protesting. At the time "*Baba Ndlovu*" told us we would need to "*apply our training*". In or during Mid 2020, during COVID, there was a lot of 'unrest' in the townships in KZN and we continued with our 'crowd control' missions. At the start of 2021, however our missions soon turned into more than just 'crowd control'. It was made clear to me and the other members of the task team that our main purpose according to Mkhwanazi was to "*clean the streets*". I later realised this meant we would be killing criminals instead of arresting them.

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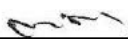
In about **mid-2022**, there was a mission which I refer to as the "**West Boys drug bust**". We were told that we would be required to do a "drug bust" and when we arrived at the location of the so called drug lab in Umlazi, a shootout ensued between us (the extra-judicial Task team), real/legitimate Police Officers and the suspects, and it ended with at least fifteen suspects being shot dead. Many times during our missions, no arrests were ever made of any suspects and a lot of the time, the suspects and some civilians were shot in the back, as if they were running away. We would often "*shoot to kill*".

12.

The next mission I will speak about took place in around **August 2024**, in Section H, Umlazi. We were told by Mthethwa there was an abandoned house in Section H, Umlazi where people were using the abandoned house for a drug syndicate and we needed to get rid of them. I understood this to mean they were dangerous and we needed to 'eliminate them'. When we arrived, we split into two groups and went in by kicking in the doors, front and back and immediately shot everyone inside.

13.

When we noticed that six teenagers had been shot and killed, we knew there would be trouble. Ndlovu phoned Mkhwanazi to come to the scene. Just before Mkhwananzi came to the scene, we


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were told by Ndlovu that some of us had to leave our 9mm weapons with dead teenagers and some weapons were left next to their bodies, so it could be said that these kids shot at us.

14.

This is the second mission where kids were fatally shot, yet, they were unarmed, and Mkhwananzi planted evidence or had evidence planted, to cover up what had actually happened. I was not involved in the first incident, it must have been one of the other groups.

15.

I also wish to mention that Mkwanzani always arrived at these missions with other police officers to basically 'clean up the mess', which either meant that they would remove evidence of us (the task team) ever being there or planting evidence to change the narrative of what actually took place. This was all done because if we were ever found out to not be real police officers, yet civilians had been shot and killed, it would cause big problems for Mkhwanazi. None of us had firearm licenses for the weapons we were using whilst in police uniform.

16.

Whilst working for the Task Team, I received **R20,000.00 in cash** per month. Considering that there are at least three or four groups or task teams, each receiving R20,000.00 in cash, this would mean, that the total cash payment made to all of the members in the Task Team was between **R1,200,000.00 and R1,600,000.00 per month**. it seems to me there was three groups of twenty people, none of them cops. It could even be four such groups. We were all promised that after we had been doing this work for five years, we would each receive **R5 MILLION IN CASH**.

17.

Prior to me signing this statement, I have carefully read through it and am satisfied that the facts are correctly and accurately recorded. The following questions were put to me in person by the commissioner of oath and I entered the answers thereto in my own handwriting:

'Do you know and understand the contents of this statement?'

'Do you have any objection to taking the prescribed oath?'

'Do you consider the prescribed oath binding on your conscience?'

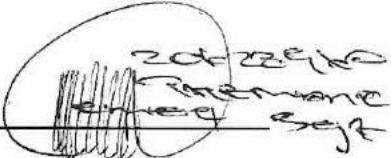
Yes
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I certify that the deponent has acknowledged that he knows and understands the contents of this statement which was sworn to before me, and the deponent's signature was placed thereon in my presence at **SANDTON** on the **11TH** day of **JULY 2025**.



COMMISSIONER OF OATHS
Therence Maseko Maseko
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