

## RE: Complaint - Reporting Systemic Corruption in the South African Police Service Batch 1

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#### Dear Ms Ntlatseng

By way of an update, we can confirm that the one charge that remained was withdrawn by the prosecution yesterday.

In essence as so as the charge was under any kind of scrutiny it collapsed. With no one other than the Investigating Officer having had the opportunity to exam the charge or evidence until many months after the arrest as soon as that opportunity was granted (having had to wrestle the docket from SAPS first to do so) it was clear it was baseless.

Therefore, permissions were sought and granted to make Representations. This was done and on reading and investigating the lengthy Representations the prosecution service concluded without the need to further reference the attorneys that the charge would be withdrawn.

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Having had no scrutiny there is a clear pattern; that when matters are with the officers of SAPS it seems almost anything is possible. Patently absurd charges (such as the august charge of breaking and entering when the property is your own home) can be whisked through without the slightest due diligence. Arrests can be affected without arrest warrants. Houses can be entered, emptied of its occupants and keys passed over without not only a warrant but any cause. SWAT teams can be enlisted without any reason whatsoever, other than the word of a private investigator who has shown himself time and time again to have not the slightest regard for the law or the truth. Bail applications can be rigged with the willing assistance of these same officers. Arrests of entirely unrelated parties can be executed purely to intimidate or teach someone a lesson. Millions can be stolen or embezzled not just under the noses of the police but with the assistance of. Charges invented, manipulated, evidence fabricated.

But once a matter reaches court and is placed under any kind of scrutiny, it falls apart at the very first test. The bail application of August, the bail application of March, the rejected application for an arrest warrant, the rejection time and time ago of attempts in the civil courts, the presumptions on the one remaining charge.

Every one of the attempts made by these people and their friend in SAPS has been rebuffed by the courts. And yet they keep each attempt and each docket live for use on the next attempt.

However, while the courts have shown themselves to be a buffer to the criminality of the individuals and SAPS officers when the crunch comes, the damage done in the period after an arrest and before then is catastrophic and precisely what the strategy was meant to achieve.

The withdrawal of the remaining charge represents the end of their most recent attempt. Coming precisely thirteen months since the violent and illegal eviction by Wouter de Swardt and his eight hired thugs. And supported by certain SAPS officers.

Precisely one year after brail was granted in the first malicious prosecution, in which SAPS officers were complicit in knowingly pressing and pursuing false charges and knowingly attempting to rig the bail application.

Coming eight months after the second illegal arrest. Where a full armed SWAT team's involvement was motivated by those in charge of the operation (that being the private individuals funding the campaign and their proxy's the private investigators). Where the cover of an arrest enabled a highly illegal eviction and where the cover of that same arrest enabled the unofficial and highly illegal secret operation to execute a second illegal eviction at another property and again disguise it as an arrest

Coming five months after the release on bail after every one of the initial charges were withdrawn upon first sight by the prosecution.

The strategy whereby private individuals can harness and abuse the very considerable power of the state has proved to be a resounding success.

Where no civil court would ever have awarded possession, where no genuine investigation found any wrongdoing, where the many extremely robust laws protecting tenants stood in the way of rogue landlords, where the accepted rights of tenants accumulated over decades provided a defence against greedy or criminal landlords, SAPS and the private investigators have created a way to sweep all of this aside. Making it academic and irrelevant.

The initial charges themselves were opportunistic and cynical. Taking three complaints that would in any reality have gone no further. Being civil disputes as acknowledged by the IO at the time. Complaints on which no new work had been done, where the files had not been touched for a year.

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Dug up and dusted down as the only remotely plausible basis on which to execute an arrest. An arrest instructed by private individuals for their own personal reasons and their own financial gain.

Aware that the complaints could be manipulated enough to pass by a magistrate, but they were unlikely to gain the support of the prosecution, they needed more. And as such, the IO conducted a dance over the 3 months following the arrest. Constantly confusing matters to ensure as long a remand as possible.

On one appearance money laundering charges were to be added. Not surprisingly these never materialised.

On another hearing a delay was requested to ask for phone and bank records. Unsurprisingly no such request was ever made.

And throughout at no stage was anybody aware of what the charges would actually be when the bail application was eventually heard. Placing everybody in the absurd position that it was not until the bail application finally commenced some, three months after arrest, that anybody was aware of what the charges were. And it was at this point that the prosecution withdrew them all.

The fact that the IO felt it necessary to effectively keep the charges a secret and keep everybody guessing says a lot. And that every reason given to delay matters transpired to be equally false

But nothing can compare to the level of deceit and sinister conduct of the initial objection to bail itself. Having been granted bail and leaving the dock Mr. de Swardt immediately contacted the IO to insist he object to bail.

One can only assume, that what followed was a hurried agreement as to what would be sufficient to do so without going too far.

Following his boss's (de Swardts) orders as always, he contacted the prosecution. The investigating officer was very specific and mentioned that there were "five more charges coming in" (and I repeat, not five investigations that may lead to charges but five charges coming in) and "a number of issues from Paarl" (again actual and not potential). As well as the issue of flight risk despite that having been addressed in the previous bail application.

Unsurprisingly not one of those issues ever materialized. Not in the three months in Pollsmoor, not in the eight months since those statements were made. The simple reason being they did not exist.

Lies told by an investigating officer to ensure the accused who had been granted bail had that taken away from him.

And while the accused lay in prison awaiting his "urgent bail application," the investigating officer and Mr de Swardt were very busy engineering an environment where they hoped to create hundreds of victims and from the carnage sufficient manipulated information to motivate a prosecution. Precisely because there were no victims, they had to create them. Purposely not telling Booking.com that they had taken over the villas but instead letting guests arrive only to find they had nowhere to stay. Then mispresenting that situation as being the result of a fraud rather than as a result of the police operation.

And even then, having decapitated the booking system just two weeks before peak season, put its principle in prison, having had complete control of the villas and the environment they were unable to produce genuine examples of any impropriety.

To the point it was necessary to fabricate their findings and mispresent over 80% of those guests as being those of the accused.

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Despite the very long list of very serious crimes committed by the private investigators and their friends in SAPS, not one faces charges.

- The campaign throws up many very serious issues.
- The use of arrests to disguise illegal evictions.
- The abuse of the docket system to keep demonstrably dead investigations technically alive and current so as to scupper bail. The ability of private individuals to instruct arrests as and when and against whomever they choose.
- The message this sends out including to those who follow the rules, that there are better, cheaper, faster ways to achieve their goals.
- The effect on tourism in the region as the result of the very intentional and very false narrative built around scams.
- The message it sends out about how South Africa treats overseas tourists, their visas, and their safety.
- The SAPS aided theft of over R100 million.
- The fact that these actions effectively put the police above the legislature, the executive, and the judiciary.
- The abuse, victimisation and robbery inflicted on foreign investors.
- The abuse of passports and the visa system.
- The prosecutions unhealthy relationships with SAPS and PIs.
- The questionable inclusion of PIs in the process.
- The misuse of the Psira license to bring credibility to the criminal.
- The implications for housing, for PIE, for the status quo.
- The further damage done to the tourist industry as a result of using it and guests as pawns in their game.
- The arming of private individuals with the weapons at the state's disposal, making any campaign far more effective and saving them millions as the cost is picked up almost entirely by the South African payer.

And how does a private individual, whether a private investigator or not, get to run, lead, and control an entire operation, the arrest, the raid and on not one but two properties?

What these people have gotten away with over the last 18 months defies belief. These wealthy, privileged, connected and some might say entitled individuals have treated the law with contempt. They consider themselves beyond the law and with good reason as they have SAPS as their own private militia. Yet they expect everyone else to operate within the law.

We would be absolutely confident that unless this is investigated and stomped on in the strongest possible way that the use of arrest to effect and disguise illegal evictions will spread.

It is an almost perfect way to take your property from your tenant. Without needing any cause, without needing a court order, without spending large sums on lawyers.

- i. Almost impossible to identify, not included in any statistics, with those removed from their homes almost always poorer, less connected, less informed than the landlords having them removed. Placed in an even worse position both in absolute and relative terms as a result of an arrest or period in prison.
- ii. For the landlord a no brainer, the eviction is instant rather than waiting six to twelve months, it is cheap rather than spending as much as a quarter of a million rand in legal fees, it is guaranteed, unlike court proceedings. And the vast majority of the cost is met by the taxpayer. And with the police onside, there is almost no prospect of being caught or held to account.

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Literally all it takes is a couple of willing SAPS officers and a landlord who wants a faster, cheaper more reliable means of evicting his tenants.

Hopefully, such tactics and criminality can be quashed before they get a foothold.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Lauren

# CONTENTS, INCLUDING A LIST OF THE ACTIONS AND EVENTS OF NOTE THAT DEMONSTRATE WIDESCALE CORRUPTION, ILLEGAL CONDUCT AND ABUSES OF POWER:

(Items in red are ones where the detail is on the addendum rather than in this document. It is being loaded onto these versions this week)

- 1. SAPS, WDS; Illegal arrest No. 1
- 2. SAPS, WDS; Arrested without a warrant.
- 3. SAPS, WDS; No investigation undertaken, no proof provided or requested, the matter was personal rather than official.
- 4. SAPS, WDS; Hout Bay SAPS were aware the charges were false.
- 5. SAPS, WDS; The arrest in central Cape Town; SAPS Hout Bay lied to, failed to inform and or failed to obtain permission from Central Cape Town SAPS
- 6. SAPS, WDS; Illegal methods to trace Mr Russell, including pinging his mobile phone.
- 7. SAPS, WDS; Intimidating and sinister 'Unofficial' and arguably illegal search for suspect, illegal methods used in preceding days.
- 8. SAPS, WDS; Refusal and failure of officers to identify themselves or the matter and their refusal to provide details including senior officers when questioned,
- 9. SAPS Attempts to take Mr Russell out of circulation and threaten him into complying with the demands of private individuals. In particular to with words his High Court Spoliation application and hand over the property
- 10. The timing of arrest 1. And the high court matter.
- 11. Including the arrest itself being instructed by private individuals.
- 12. SAPS, WDS; The illegal attempt to take equipment, devices, and data.
- 13. The basis of the charges
- 14. SAPS, WDS; Intimidation of 'accused'.
- 15. SAPS, WDS; The post charge detention for the alleged theft of a TV
- 16. SAPS, WDS; Mr Russell was not charged or told of the charge until the second day of detention.
- 17. SAPS, WDS; Extended unnecessary detention at Hout Bay police station
- 18. SAPS, WDS; The response and refusal of officers to take any information, statement, or notes.
- 19. SAPS, WDS; Obstruction of calls to attorney
- 20. SAPS, WDS; 'Rigged' bail application & malicious prosecution.

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- 21. SAPS, WDS; Obstruction of the ends of justice
- 22. SAPS, WDS; Changes to the basis of the charges and the items claimed to have been stolen.
- 23. SAPS, WDS; Distortion of the circumstances of the accused and use of flight risk to object to bail

#### 24. Crime injuria

- 25. SAPS, WDS; Inflation of the value of the items by 2000%
- 26. SAPS, WDS; Opposition to bail
- 27. SAPS, WDS; The demonstrably false charge
- 28. SAPS, WDS; Interference with and influence over the submissions form the Home Affairs department.
- 29. SAPS: Failure to assist during illegal evictions.
- 30. SAPS; Hout Bay police station
- 31. SAPS: Hout Bay and Russell Warner, SAPS interference in a civil matter to 'buy' Mr Warners cooperation.
- 32. SPAS; Hout Bay SAPS officer's assisting WDS and the thugs in their illegal eviction
- 33. SAPS; Refusing and not acting on arrest warrants.
- 34. SAPS: Re the assaulted occupants, Refusal to take the witness statements or allow those assaulted to lay charges.
- 35. SAPS: Refusal to act on or investigate that complaint when it came from central Cape town SAPS.
- 36. SAPS: Illegal eviction assisted by saps.
- 37. SAPS: Refusal to carry out court orders and warrants of arrests: Hout Bay police station.
- 38. SAPS, WDS; Multiple counts of perjury (including in court by the IO)
- 39. SAPS, WDS; Investigating officer testimony, almost entirely false drawing the judges' comments.
- 40. SAPS, WDS; Ignoring the directive of the magistrate in regard to the storage unit.
- 41. SAPS, WDS; Interference with and intimidation of witnesses
- 42. SAPS, DISBERRY, VAN WYK, Bribery
- 43. Manipulation of mental health
- 44. The magistrates summing up.
- 45. SAPS, WDS; Post bail hearing No.1. No shows at court & vanishing dockets
- 46. SAPS, WDS; Post bail hearing no.2. No shows at court & vanishing dockets
- 47. SAPS, WDS; Visit to storage unit to ensure closure. Yet file not closed then, not in the months that followed **and not even now.**
- 48. SAPS, WDS; Intimidation of witnesses Phone calls to ollie Sokanyile.
- 49. SAPS, WDS; Home affairs statements and affidavits
- 50. SAPS, WDS; Assaults and refusing witness statements.
- 51. SAPS, WDS; Refusing arrest warrant.
- 52. SAPS, WDS; Protection orders
- 53. SAPS, WDS; Russell arrest verses broad nonarrest
- 54. WDS, BROAD; Court Clerk
- 55. SAPS & Leirmans eviction
- 56. WDS; Media and criminal defamation

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- 57. SAPS, WDS; Illegal evictions
- 58. SAPS, WDS; Drive bys
- 59. Beverley

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- 60. SAPS, WDS; Arrest No. 2
- 61. SAPS, WDS; Detained from 14<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>.
- 62. SAPS, WDS; Perjury re new affidavit. Sergeant Stevens false affidavit
- 63. SAPS, WDS; Date and timing of the arrest of Mr Russell,
- **64.** SAPS, WDS; Arrest and removal of the housekeeper at another property
- 65. SAPS, WDS; SAPS arrest of Mr Sokanyile.
- 66. SAPS, refusal to take complaints from Mr Russell or any of his household.
- 67. SAPS and the armed swat team raid & numbers involved.
- 68. Wouter de Swardt & the SAPS officers he has chosen to work closely with
- 69. Wouter de Swardt and his inclusion in the arrest and raid
- 70. Schalkwyk & Denis Dalton (sham private detectives with fake Psria license) included in the
- 71. SAPS and the inclusion of the three private investigators in general
- 72. SAPS, WDS; The alliance of Johan Schalkwyk & Denis Dalton of ESS, Wouter de Swardt and SAPS
- 73. SAPS arrest forms and ESS
- 74. SAPS, WDS; The belated and retrospective attempt by SAPS to insert the issue of "immigration" into the arrest and detention when it played no part whatsoever.
- 75. Including the affidavit of the Investigating Officer which is wholly false.
- 76. Saps and Mario; the arrest warrant, or rather the lack of
- 77. Mario, ESS, and their crimes
- 78. SAPS; Interchangeable cases, crimes, officers, stations, mo. But always the same target
- 79. Wouter de Swardt and SAPS: Project "holiday hell"
- 80. SPAS and Wouter de Swardt interference with witnesses
- 81. Leirmans road
- 82. SAPS Wouter de Swardt And the prearrest collusion with the housekeeper at fisherman's bend
- 83. SAPS, WDS and the passing of Mr Russell's house keys from SAPS to WDS and onto his clients.
- 84. SAPS, WDS and the illegal eviction of the housekeeper at Leirmans Road
- 85. SAPS, WDS and the illegal eviction of Ollie and his girlfriends from their home at Leirmans Road
- 86. SAPS, WDS attempt to arrest Ollie Sokanyile
- 87. SAPS & WDS Choregraphed exit for the media. Pre-arranged some time before the arrest.
- 88. SAPS denial of accused requests to make a phone call for several days.
- 89. SAPS Re; IO's manipulation of charges /statement/
- 90. SAPS and the complete lack of input from Mr Russell of any kind
- 91. SAPS falsifying of bail documents.
- 92. SAPS; The two extra charges.
- 93. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, First bail appearance /objection and the illegal rescinding bail

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- 94. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, "five charges coming in" that never existed.
- 95. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Issues from Paarl that never existed.
- 96. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Bail application form
- 97. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Defeating the ends of justice.
- 98. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Perversion of the course of justice
- 99. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Aiding and abetting extortion and harassment
- 100. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Bail appearances 2, 3 and 4; money laundering
- 101. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Bail appearances 2, 3 and 4; bank and phone records.
- 102. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Bail appearances 2, 3 and 4; charges in general
- 103. SAPS, WDS; actual hearing date, 3 months after arrest, all charges withdrawn.
- 104. SAPS illegal withholding of equipment, devices data with no warrant permitting such.
- 105. SAPS Ignoring the obvious
- 106. SAPS illegal withholding of passport with no warrant or bail conditions permitting such.
- 107. The passports and the consequences
- 108. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, The docket.
- 109. SAPS Jurisdiction and location of docket.
- 110. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Bail amount
- Investigation. Presentation of information to public and nap. 111.
- 112. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Media and criminal defamation
- 113. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Magistrates rejection of request for arrest warrant
- SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, as at drafting this almost a year later, the docket for the 114. false theft charge laid by Mrs Broad remain open and in theory a "current and ongoing investigation" should it be needed to complicate yet another bail application.
- 115. [As a result of this malicious prosecution Mr Russell spent three weeks incarcerated, lost millions of rand in past, current, and future bookings, his jewellery collection, the agency managing the portfolio (scared away by SAPS), two of the properties and marked the beginning of the use of the media to destroy his reputation.
- SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, similarly, as at drafting this almost a year later, the docket 116. for the false theft charge laid by Ms Disberry remain open and in theory a "current and ongoing investigation" should it be needed to complicate yet another bail application.
- 117. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Suspicious Home affairs submissions. Dodgy affidavits
- 118. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, The Immigration charges.
- SAPS, Wouter de Swardt; at the point of drafting this while Mr Russell is being 119. prosecuted over the alleged immigration breach those who stole and kept hidden his passport have not been questioned or charged. Nor does it look as if they will be?
- 120. SAPS Wouter de Swardt taking fake staged footage forcing the housekeeper to act out the leaving of the house as if voluntarily for the benefit of the cameras.
- 121. Notes on front of property
- 122. Reasons for arrest, timing of, gains achieved.
- 122.1. SAPS arrest allowed Mr Broad to execute an illegal eviction of Leirmans road and take immediate control of the property. SAPS emptied it of occupants.

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- 122.2. SAPS arrest allowed Mr Moonsamy to execute an illegal eviction and take immediate control of Fisherman's Bend
- 122.3. SAPS arrest allowed Mr Broad to ignore the November order that the matter be postponed until midi 2023 and instead launch an application that had been prepared ahead of the ears to be heard while Mr Russell was in prison.
- 122.4. SAPS arrest was executed precisely as Mr Moonsamy's attorneys notice expired and allowed them to achieve what the notice demanded despite having no basis in tenancy law without going to the high court.
- 122.5. SAPS arrest allowed Mr Moonsamy to gain occupation in the one-week window available to do and then retrospectively legitimise it via the civil courts if needed.
- 122.6. SAPS arrest allowed the new owners to commence their three months' vacation with their family precisely in line with their arrival and plans.
- 122.7. SAPS arrest allowed Wouter de Swardt et al to decapitate the bookings system exactly as summer season commence.
- 122.8. SAPS arrest allowed Wouter de Swardt and the consortium to cut off the lifesaving revenue that would have flowed from that exact week onwards.
- 122.9. SAPS arrest allowed Wouter de Swardt and SAPS to utilise the chaos and peak period to create new victims from which to then relaunch their attempts to frame Mr Russell for fraud.
- 122.10. SAPS arrest allowed Mr Broad to return to the property and ignore the interdict.
- 122.11. SAPS arrest allowed Mr Broad to take over the property, get it valued, listed, and sold.
- 122.12. SAPS arrest allowed Mr Moonsamy and the new owners to enjoy the uplift in rental income two years early.
- 122.13. SAPS arrest allowed Mr Broad to keep all of Mr Russell's furnishings and artwork.
- 122.14. SAPS arrest allowed Mr Moonsamy to keep all of Mr Russell's furnishings and artwork.
- 123. Wouter de Swardt. Mr Moonsamy, Mrs Broad celebratory meeting at Fisherman's Bend just after the arrest
- 124. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Project holiday hell
- 125. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Failure to inform the platforms the guests needed to be found other accommodation or refunded intentionally to create chaos, losses, distress, and the suggestion of fraud. Placing up to one thousand guests at risk
- 126. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, setting up guests to be homeless and out of pocket.
- 127. No investigation of the matter to date
- 128. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Interreference post with victims to ensure remain out of pocket.

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#### THE DOZENS OF ATTEMPTS TO ARREST, TO DETAIN OR TO ELONGATE DETENTION

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There have now been almost seventy attempts\*\* to either arrest, incarcerate or elongate the period of incarceration for Mr Russell. Some minor, some major. The level of interference in SAPS, the Criminal justice system, the instigation itself. Indeed, in regard to the investigation., the level of interference is astonishing, and the number of people participating in this interference equally so. With those involved having no qualms committing numerous crimes to achieve these goals. What seems to have happened is an "investigation" by these private individuals and their Pls which when considered has potential is dressed up for SAPS and presented.

\*\*(that we know of. There are likely many more we do not)

The obstruction of justice being an alarming feature. AS WELL AS the use of SAPS without whose cooperation much of this would be impossible.

Having read the document above, as well as those others referenced, especially the timeline table and the below, we believe it would defy all logic to still claim that there has not been a well organised and concerted campaign and one that has gone to extraordinary lengths to achieve its goals.

The list below represents almost seventy 'events' that have formed part of the campaign. Whether in and of itself supposed to motivate an arrest or elongate incarceration, or to support and aid such an allegation or arrest.

- 1. Arrest one. False charges: Housebreaking and theft
- 2. The objection to bail
- 3. The "Rigged" bail application.
- 4. Inflation of value of goods by 2000%
- 5. The home office affidavit
- 6. Illegal attempt (failing on the first occasion) to confiscate his equipment devices and data in an attempt to undertake a fishing expedition.
- 7. The affidavit of Ms Disberry provided at the last minute to aid the failing case being made by the prosecution who had been motivated to object to bail.
- 8. The theft and retention of the passport by Ms Disberry to make Mr Russell an illegal immigrant to both motivate an arrest on those grounds and complicate bail if arrested on other grounds.

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- 9. The passing of the passport to the state who then went on to illegally hold it.
- 10. The corralling of guests by Ms Disberry into one amorphous grouping with the promise of resolution but with the actual purpose of using the guests as ammunition to motivate an arrest.
- 11. The motivation of those guests to pursue criminal route rather than benefit from payment.
- 12. The Protection order of Mr Broad obtained via perjury.
- 13. The attempt to lure Mr Russell to the Leirmans property with unofficial false promises he was safe to do so and then enforce through the p [police the protection order prohibition.
- 14. Failure to carry out the judge's instructions Inc visiting the storage unit.
- 15. Perjury during the investigating officer's testimony
- 16. Home affairs, tried to get home affairs to charge but told there were no grounds.
- 17. Intentionally keeping open the Leirmans Road false theft charge docket
- 18. Engineered clashes, in-between the two arrests constant operations to pounce when they thought possibility of double booking, to their disappointment and those of the waiting police, PPA and media none happened.
- 19. Fake bookings made to try to cause diary clashes, double bookings from which charges could be laid.
- 20. Hout Bay, tried to get other arrests but told too risky and nothing to arrest for
- 21. Threats made to Chandre and others to sign witnesses' statements written for them or they faced ten to thirty years in prison.
- 22. The false charge / malicious prosecution laid by Ms Disberry on the instruction of Wouter de Swardt.
- 23. The theft and illegal retention of Mr Russell's replacement passport
- 24. The numerus examples of directly contacting guests to tell them it was a scam to induce them to cancel and lay a charge if the deposit not returned.
- 25. Sabotage the visa application.
- 26. The nobbling of the protection order granted after several assaults and for which an arrest warrant had been issued the making of the fraudulent one obtained via perjury final.
- 27. Threats and bribes to Micheal Sachse, including intentionally exploiting his mental health issues.
- 28. Ensure Secure Services (Johan, Denis, and Andre) unethically spying on Mr Russell for WDS and Ms Disberry while supposedly working for him and being paid by him. Along with Mario having unrivalled and unrestricted access to his laptop, phones, devise, data.
- 29. Ensure Secure Services (Johan, Denis, and Andre) devices WDS and Ms Disberry with passwords, and access to profile data bases and software. In an attempt to find or create diary clashes etc
- 30. Mario encouraged to take out a Protection Order, so once in place they could either misrepresent a breach or simply lie.
- 31. An example being Mario's accusation about being tracked or people coming to his house. Shown to be false but with the above purpose.

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- 32. The petition written trying to create a public demand for Mr Russell's arrest.
- 33. Magistrates decline de Swardt, and Stevens went to the magistrates to get an arrest warrant for the three fraud cases and were declined,
- 34. They simply took the same evidence to another magistrates.
- 35. Arrest two. The 3 Fraud charges.
- 36. Adding two more while at Hout Bay station. Although neither charged me nor interviewed me re these. NB: Never interviewed re the first three by Stevens either.
- 37. Additional () false) media stories to encourage others to come forward.
- 38. Objection to bail resulting in illegal detention\*\*
- 39. Use of "five other charges coming in" to motivate objection to bail when no such chares existed.
- 40. Use of "Issues from Paarl" to motivate objection to bail when no such chares existed.
- 41. Use of "flight risk" despite having been tested in August.
- 42. Generally; "rigged bail application
- 43. Mario told to lie and say accomplice.
- 44. The charges themselves used only because that was all that they had that could be presented as a justification for an arrest.

[As an example, Sandler cancelled his booking. The only reason a refund would fall due was where the journey was impossible at the time of departure. E.g., Omicron. He claimed it was impossible and therefore he had to cancel, demanding a refund. Yet others flew in from the same city the same week. Sandler made the big error of laying the complaint while he was in Cape Town. Thereby proving (by the date of his signed affidavit) that travel was not impossible as he was in Cape Town and in precisely the week he had booked. That is the calibre of the charges they sought to arrest Mr Russell on].

- 45. The confiscation of the equipment (successful) on the second arrest to fish for any crimes to compensate for the lack of them or evidence of up to that point.
- 46. Bail application, the lie that "charges coming in regard to money laundering."
- 47. Bail application the use of the previous and "current "charges to motivate the judge to decline.
- 48. Bail application, attorney representing Moonsamy, and Broad stating Mr Russell could not use the properties for a bail address. Yet no court, no order, no contract, or document entitled them to do that, it was done to scupper chances of bail.
- 49. Bail application: SAPS bail form filled in with intentionally misleading answers. Including that Mr Russell should not be granted bail out of concern eh may cause himself harm e.g., suicide
- 50. Bail application: delay requested to obtain phone and bank records despite being two months after the arrest.
- 51. Immigration charge: when the fraud charges were withdrawn de Swardt via the I.O. insisted they proceed with the immigration charge, despite it being highly suspect (see notes). And despite never having been charged with any immigration offences.

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- 52. Bail amount for Immigration bail: de Swardt via the I.O. insisted in a bail of R1000,000 to make bail impossible. A ludicrous sum. The. Judge awarded R10,000 after battle in court.
- 53. The continued illegal retention of Mr Russell passport for almost a year
- 54. The illegal retention by the state of Mr Russell's equipment, devices, and data to prejudice his position in building a defence to any of the charges.
- 55. The two dozen or so instances of Ms Disberry and her partner Mr Van Wyk having the online profiles pulled down with the intention of causing collapse and debts that could be mispresented as fraud.
- 56. Mario instructed to try to create impression of breaches of the protection order taken out in November but never served or finalised. In the recordings and voce notes of which there are 50 Mario can clearly be heard demanding money (R43,000) or he will send Mr Russell to Pollsmoor.
- 57. As well as their constant effort over the last year and a half to create witnesses who will agree to do as they are told, sign statements written for them obtaining this "cooperation" via threats and bribes.
- 58. immigration prosecution. At the point of writing this they are still proceedings despite the facts of the matter which in any normal situation would never result in a prosecution.
- 59. The plan to intentionally keep Booking.com ignorant of fact that the villas were no longer occupied or controlled by Mr Russell so that potentially hundreds of guests would turn up to find they had nowhere to stay.
- 60. Affidavit of the IO in the Immigration matter trying to rewrite history an gave the immigration issue a role in the arrest and detention which had none of
- 61. Investigating the investigation and Ms Disberry and Mr Van Wyke's names come up consistently. Especially when trying to push people to side with them. Invariably involving inducements and threats if that does not work.
- 62. As does the name of a lady called Beverly who we assume is a private investigator as her methods seem highly suspect and illegal.
- 63. Similarly, Ms Disberry offering Mr Russell's guests to steal valuable bookings but then use the opportunity to persuade them to give under accounts.
- 64. Staying at the property to wait for arrivals to speak to with a view to pushing them towards loss and then laying of a charge.
- 65. The dossier created by Wouter de Swardt listing the eleven groups that arrived over this period and fabricating the dossier to show all eleven paid Mr Russell via Cape Exclusive.

  Only one had
- 66. The interference with the now victims to ensure they remained out of pocket to protect any claims of fraud.
- 67. Falsifying, misrepresenting the position to the guests with the aim of pushing them towards laying charges.
- 68. On several occasions Wouter de Swardt 's car (white RR) has been seen a few meters away from Russell's house parked with heights off

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- 69. Manipulation of both Mario's and Micheal very volatile and fragile mental health issues (something both openly accept and can at times be extremely severe).
- 70. Including bribing Michael via payments to his mum
- 71. Mario's threats and extortion of July 2023, which included almost thirty threats to have Mr Russell sent to prison if he did not pay sums to Mr Boffa that were not due.
- 72. Mario's statements on more than one occasions about reaching agreements with de Swardt and the state to lie and testify with pre scripted answers, changing the facts to one where we were partners, and he is exposing Mr Russell rather than the truth that he embezzled ad fled.
- 73. In exchange he is promised the authorities would turn a blind eye to his many crimes
- 74. There will be one......

# CONTENTS, INCLUDING A LIST OF THE ACTIONS AND EVENTS OF NOTE THAT DEMONSTRATE

WIDESCALE CORRUPTION, ILLEGAL CONDUCT AND ABUSES OF POWER:

(Items in red are ones where the detail is on the addendum rather than in this document. It is being loaded onto these versions this week)

- 129. SAPS, WDS; Illegal arrest No. 1
- 130. SAPS, WDS; Arrested without a warrant.
- 131. SAPS, WDS; No investigation undertaken, no proof provided or requested, the matter was personal rather than official.
- 132. SAPS, WDS; Hout Bay SAPS were aware the charges were false.
- 133. SAPS, WDS; The arrest in central Cape Town; SAPS Hout Bay lied to, failed to inform and or failed to obtain permission from Central Cape Town SAPS
- 134. SAPS, WDS; Illegal methods to trace Mr Russell, including pinging his mobile phone.
- 135. SAPS, WDS; Intimidating and sinister 'Unofficial' and arguably illegal search for suspect, illegal methods used in preceding days.
- 136. SAPS, WDS; Refusal and failure of officers to identify themselves or the matter and their refusal to provide details including senior officers when questioned,
- 137. SAPS Attempts to take Mr Russell out of circulation and threaten him into complying with the demands of private individuals. In particular to with words his High Court Spoliation application and hand over the property
- 138. The timing of arrest 1. And the high court matter.
- 139. Including the arrest itself being instructed by private individuals.
- 140. SAPS, WDS; The illegal attempt to take equipment, devices, and data.
- 141. The basis of the charges
- 142. SAPS, WDS; Intimidation of 'accused'.
- 143. SAPS, WDS; The post charge detention for the alleged theft of a TV

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- 144. SAPS, WDS; Mr Russell was not charged or told of the charge until the second day of detention.
- 145. SAPS, WDS; Extended unnecessary detention at Hout Bay police station
- 146. SAPS, WDS; The response and refusal of officers to take any information, statement, or notes.
- 147. SAPS, WDS; Obstruction of calls to attorney
- 148. SAPS, WDS; 'Rigged' bail application & malicious prosecution.
- 149. SAPS, WDS; Obstruction of the ends of justice
- 150. SAPS, WDS; Changes to the basis of the charges and the items claimed to have been stolen.
- 151. SAPS, WDS; Distortion of the circumstances of the accused and use of flight risk to object to bail
- 152. Crime injuria
- 153. SAPS, WDS; Inflation of the value of the items by 2000%
- 154. SAPS, WDS; Opposition to bail
- 155. SAPS, WDS; The demonstrably false charge
- 156. SAPS, WDS; Interference with and influence over the submissions form the Home Affairs department.
- 157. SAPS: Failure to assist during illegal evictions.
- 158. SAPS; Hout Bay police station
- 159. SAPS: Hout Bay and Russell Warner, SAPS interference in a civil matter to 'buy' Mr Warners cooperation.
- 160. SPAS; Hout Bay SAPS officer's assisting WDS and the thugs in their illegal eviction
- 161. SAPS; Refusing and not acting on arrest warrants.
- 162. SAPS: Re the assaulted occupants, Refusal to take the witness statements or allow those assaulted to lay charges.
- 163. SAPS: Refusal to act on or investigate that complaint when it came from central Cape town SAPS.
- 164. SAPS: Illegal eviction assisted by saps.
- 165. SAPS: Refusal to carry out court orders and warrants of arrests: Hout Bay police station.
- 166. SAPS, WDS; Multiple counts of perjury (including in court by the IO)
- 167. SAPS, WDS; Investigating officer testimony, almost entirely false drawing the judges' comments.
- 168. SAPS, WDS; Ignoring the directive of the magistrate in regard to the storage unit.
- 169. SAPS, WDS; Interference with and intimidation of witnesses
- 170. SAPS, DISBERRY, VAN WYK, Bribery
- 171. Manipulation of mental health
- 172. The magistrates summing up.
- 173. SAPS, WDS; Post bail hearing No.1. No shows at court & vanishing dockets
- 174. SAPS, WDS; Post bail hearing no.2. No shows at court & vanishing dockets
- 175. SAPS, WDS; Visit to storage unit to ensure closure. Yet file not closed then, not in the months that followed **and not even now.**

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	176.	SAPS, WDS; Intimidation of witnesses Phone calls to ollie Sokanyile's.
	177.	SAPS, WDS; Home affairs statements and affidavits
	178.	SAPS, WDS; Assaults and refusing witness statements.
	179.	SAPS, WDS; Refusing arrest warrant.
	180.	SAPS, WDS; Protection orders
	181.	SAPS, WDS; Russell arrest verses broad nonarrest
	182.	WDS, BROAD; Court Clerk
	183.	SAPS & Leirmans eviction
	184.	WDS; Media and criminal defamation
	185.	SAPS, WDS; Illegal evictions
	186.	SAPS, WDS; Drive bys
	187.	Beverley
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	188.	SAPS, WDS; Arrest No. 2
	189.	SAPS, WDS; Detained from 14 <sup>th</sup> to 19 <sup>th.</sup>
	190.	SAPS, WDS; Perjury re new affidavit. Sergeant Stevens false affidavit
	191.	SAPS, WDS; Date and timing of the arrest of Mr Russell,
	192.	SAPS, WDS; Arrest and removal of the housekeeper at another property
	193.	SAPS, WDS; SAPS arrest of Mr Sokanyile.
	194.	SAPS, refusal to take complaints from Mr Russell or any of his household.
	195.	SAPS and the armed swat team raid & numbers involved.
	196.	Wouter de Swardt & the SAPS officers he has chosen to work closely with
	197.	Wouter de Swardt and his inclusion in the arrest and raid
	198.	Schalkwyk & Denis Dalton (sham private detectives with fake Psria license) included
	in the arrest.	
	199.	SAPS and the inclusion of the three private investigators in general
	200.	SAPS, WDS; The alliance of Johan Schalkwyk & Denis Dalton of ESS, Wouter de
	Sw	vardt and SAPS
	201.	SAPS arrest forms and ESS
	202.	SAPS, WDS; The belated and retrospective attempt by SAPS to insert the issue of
	"in	nmigration" into the arrest and detention when it played no part whatsoever.
	203.	Including the affidavit of the Investigating Officer which is wholly false.
	204.	Saps and Mario; the arrest warrant, or rather the lack of
	205.	Mario, ESS, and their crimes
	206.	SAPS; Interchangeable cases, crimes, officers, stations, mo. But always the same
	tar	rget
	207.	Wouter de Swardt and SAPS: Project "holiday hell"
	208.	SPAS and Wouter de Swardt interference with witnesses
	209.	Leirmans road
	210.	SAPS Wouter de Swardt And the prearrest collusion with the housekeeper at
	fisherman's bend	
	211.	SAPS, WDS and the passing of Mr Russell's house keys from SAPS to WDS and onto
	his	s clients.

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- - 212. SAPS, WDS and the illegal eviction of the housekeeper at Leirmans Road
  - SAPS, WDS and the illegal eviction of Ollie and his girlfriends from their home at 213. Leirmans Road
  - 214. SAPS, WDS attempt to arrest Ollie Sokanyile
  - 215. SAPS & WDS Choregraphed exit for the media. Pre-arranged some time before the arrest.
  - 216. SAPS denial of accused requests to make a phone call for several days.
  - 217. SAPS Re; IO's manipulation of charges /statement/
  - 218. SAPS and the complete lack of input from Mr Russell of any kind
  - 219. SAPS falsifying of bail documents.
  - 220. SAPS; The two extra charges.
  - 221. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, First bail appearance /objection and the illegal rescinding bail
  - 222. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, "five charges coming in" that never existed.
  - 223. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Issues from Paarl that never existed.
  - 224. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Bail application form
  - 225. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Defeating the ends of justice.
  - SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Perversion of the course of justice 226.
  - 227. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Aiding and abetting extortion and harassment
  - 228. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Bail appearances 2, 3 and 4; money laundering
  - 229. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Bail appearances 2, 3 and 4; bank and phone records.
  - 230. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Bail appearances 2, 3 and 4; charges in general
  - 231. SAPS, WDS; actual hearing date, 3 months after arrest, all charges withdrawn.
  - 232. SAPS illegal withholding of equipment, devices data with no warrant permitting such.
  - SAPS Ignoring the obvious 233.
  - 234. SAPS illegal withholding of passport with no warrant or bail conditions permitting such.
  - 235. The passports and the consequences
  - 236. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, The docket.
  - 237. SAPS Jurisdiction and location of docket.
  - SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Bail amount 238.
  - 239. Investigation. Presentation of information to public and nap.
  - 240. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Media and criminal defamation
  - 241. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Magistrates rejection of request for arrest warrant
  - 242. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, as at drafting this almost a year later, the docket for the false theft charge laid by Mrs Broad remain open and in theory a "current and ongoing investigation" should it be needed to complicate yet another bail application.
  - 243. [As a result of this malicious prosecution Mr Russell spent three weeks incarcerated, lost millions of rand in past, current, and future bookings, his jewellery collection, the agency managing the portfolio (scared away by SAPS), two of the properties and marked the beginning of the use of the media to destroy his reputation.
  - 244. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, similarly, as at drafting this almost a year later, the docket for the false theft charge laid by Ms Disberry remain open and in theory a "current and

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## ongoing investigation" should it be needed to complicate yet another bail application.

- SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Suspicious Home affairs submissions. Dodgy affidavits 245.
- 246. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, The Immigration charges.
- 247. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt; at the point of drafting this while Mr Russell is being prosecuted over the alleged immigration breach those who stole and kept hidden his passport have not been questioned or charged. Nor does it look as if they will be?
- 248. SAPS Wouter de Swardt taking fake staged footage forcing the housekeeper to act out the leaving of the house as if voluntarily for the benefit of the cameras.
- 249. Notes on front of property
- 250. Reasons for arrest, timing of, gains achieved.
- 250.1. SAPS arrest allowed Mr Broad to execute an illegal eviction of Leirmans road and take immediate control of the property. SAPS emptied it of occupants.
- 250.2. SAPS arrest allowed Mr Moonsamy to execute an illegal eviction and take immediate control of Fisherman's Bend
- 250.3. SAPS arrest allowed Mr Broad to ignore the November order that the matter be postponed until midi 2023 and instead launch an application that had been prepared ahead of the ears to be heard while Mr Russell was in prison.
- 250.4. SAPS arrest was executed precisely as Mr Moonsamy's attorneys notice expired and allowed them to achieve what the notice demanded despite having no basis in tenancy law without going to the high court.
- 250.5. SAPS arrest allowed Mr Moonsamy to gain occupation in the one-week window available to do and then retrospectively legitimise it via the civil courts if needed.
- 250.6. SAPS arrest allowed the new owners to commence their three months' vacation with their family precisely in line with their arrival and plans.
- 250.7. SAPS arrest allowed Wouter de Swardt et al to decapitate the bookings system exactly as summer season commence.
- 250.8. SAPS arrest allowed Wouter de Swardt and the consortium to cut off the lifesaving revenue that would have flowed from that exact week onwards.
- 250.9. SAPS arrest allowed Wouter de Swardt and SAPS to utilise the chaos and peak period to create new victims from which to then relaunch their attempts to frame Mr Russell for fraud.
- 250.10. SAPS arrest allowed Mr Broad to return to the property and ignore the interdict.
- 250.11. SAPS arrest allowed Mr Broad to take over the property, get it valued, listed, and sold.
- 250.12. SAPS arrest allowed Mr Moonsamy and the new owners to enjoy the uplift in rental income two years early.
- 250.13. SAPS arrest allowed Mr Broad to keep all of Mr Russell's furnishings and artwork.
- 250.14. SAPS arrest allowed Mr Moonsamy to keep all of Mr Russell's furnishings and artwork.
- 251. Wouter de Swardt. Mr Moonsamy, Mrs Broad celebratory meeting at Fisherman's Bend just after the arrest
- 252. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Project holiday hell
- 253. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Failure to inform the platforms the guests needed to be found other accommodation or refunded intentionally to create chaos, losses, distress, and

about:blank 18/32 the suggestion of fraud. Placing up to one thousand guests at risk

- 254. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, setting up guests to be homeless and out of pocket.
- 255. No investigation of the matter to date
- 256. SAPS, Wouter de Swardt, Interreference post with victims to ensure remain out of pocket.

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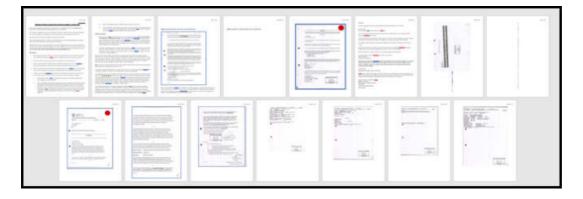
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Analysis of the entirely false affidavit of Sergeant Stevens in an attempt to retrospectively insert the immigration matter into the arrest and detention in which it played absolutely no part. Link;

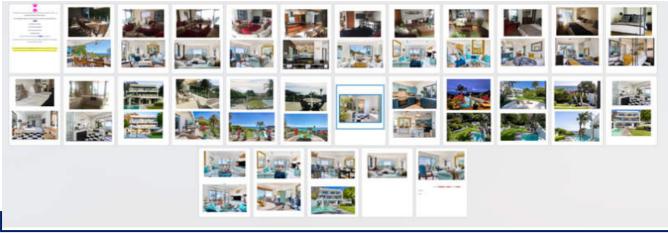
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# Leirmans Road (Before and after folder, side by side)

A comparison of various areas of the property before the transformation and after with a before and after sharing a page. On a similar document in the evidence folders, we have done the same exercise using only the photos who had tried to rent or sell the property in the past and those of the agents appointed after (or very possibly before) the arrest. That way no one can say we are somehow editing the ones we took showcasing the transformation or somehow editing the ones prior to the lease where the property looks awful. **Link:** 

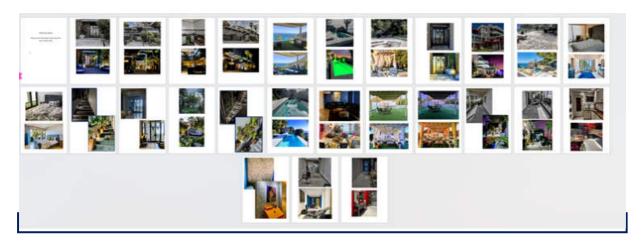
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# Fisherman's Bend (Before and after folder, side by side)

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Subject: RE: Complaint - Reporting Systemic Corruption in the South African Police Service Batch 1

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7/5/25, 11:48 AM RE: Complaint - Reporting Systemic Corruption in the South African Police Service Batch 1 - Darren de Rodez Benavent Russ...

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Ref: IPID.CORR.013.12723.

Dear Ms Jennifer Ntlatseng

Re: Reporting Serious Criminality and Corruption in the South African Police Service

Re: Netflix documentary series; documentary investigating the campaign against Mr Russell,

I hope you are well.

I wondered if you could help with a follow up enquiry, please. We reported serious criminality and corruption in the South African Police Service on the 18<sup>th</sup> of April 2023

We followed that up by completing the online form on the 24<sup>th</sup> of April and sent in further evidence over the weeks following. As well as providing links to the folders holding some of the evidence, including items No.1 to No.385.

We appreciate how busy IPID are and have therefore not constantly chased. However, the matter has become progressively more urgent and the conduct of those involved progressively more sinister and illegal.

We have not yet received a reference number, or a call to discuss the matter and would like to enquire whether an investigation has started and if not when it will.

Whilst writing, we have also been asked by Netflix to establish whether IPID would be happy to put forward a spokesperson or someone whom the journalists writing the documentary can contact to interview. We have the third full day interview in a series of full day interviews that will be woven into the documentary and the director / producer is looking to widen the circle of those being interviewed for the documentary. As corruption has been a key component in the campaign and as the use and abuse of SAPS by these private individuals and their representative Mr de Swardt has proved to be extremely successful it will be important to have contributions from those charged with investigating such

Returning to the issues at hand, can we please draw your urgent attention to the paragraphs below on the conduct of the Private Investigator Mr Wouter de Swardt and certain SAPS officers over the period December to March. In particular Sergeant Stevens and those working closely with Mr de Swardt at both Hout Bay and Belville

During this period, they formulated and put into action a plan specifically aimed at creating victims to aid in the manufacture of evidence. This adds a very serious and human factor to their activities.

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Intentionally trying to cause up to one hundred families who would have booked their annual vacation to lose both the vacation itself and between R20,000 and R400,000 each in payments. Each family tricked into making a journey only to find out upon arrival the properties had been taken illegally weeks or months before.

We have updated the documents within the evidence folder that lists examples of the corruption of which we are aware. The list of corrupt, unethical, or illegal acts now exceeds one hundred and thirty such examples. Ranging from the manor to the very serious

In the months since we reported the corruption and the crimes committed by the SAPS officers and the private individuals who they work with or for, we have done extensive research and uncovered a considerable amount of new evidence. Establishing that the corruption went much further than we initially thought.

In that time, the very effective and well-resourced campaign of these private individuals who have the special relationships we refer to, has included the planting of demonstrably false stories in the media, which in turn has resulted in death threats and new directions for the continuation of the persecution. The current dominance of the media and public narrative seriously prejudicing the victim of this campaign precisely because we are unable to get any assistance to expose the corruption, lies and criminality.

Thereby also allowing the continued weaponization of the British citizenship of the principal target and the shocking treatment of an overseas visitor investing millions of Rand into South Africa and looking to settle here.

Out of desperation turning to international journalists to begin the process of getting facts into the public domain rather than the fabrication that has had control so far.

To date the only swift and professional response we have had has been from Psira and the British Embassy. But neither of these have the power, mandate, or ability to investigate the police service.

Whilst it is not for us to prejudge the outcome of their investigation into Mr de Swardt, based on the overwhelming evidence, we would absolutely expect not just the removal of his Psira license but also several serious criminal charges.

He has traded on and used his Psira licence to convey an air of respectability, authority, legitimacy, and trustworthiness. Whereas in fact he is a criminal. A facilitator for the wealthy to get what they want by any means while keeping their hands clean and their reputations unsullied.

He is also the means by which they can harness the power of the state and especially SAPS to do their bidding.

Such behaviour, methods, activities are the opposite to what is expected of someone holding and indeed advertising their Psira license. And it is precisely such conduct that brings the professional into disrepute. In our view the sooner charges are laid against him the better for everyone concerned.

However, it is very clear he and the officers working with him that they feel beyond the reach of the law, and he has said precisely that before

As mentioned in our first letter, the level of criminality is shocking and seems to grow ever worse as they appear to be able to do as they wish, protected from investigation and supremely confident they will not be brought to account for their crimes.

We have compiled a list of some of the crimes. Please appreciate none of us working on this are lawyers and do not purport to be.

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#### Their crimes have included but are not limited to:

- 1. Illegal retention of equipment by SAPS in contravention of the warrant, charges, and court ruling,
- 2. Illegal retention of passport in contravention of bail terms,
- 3. Use of illegal arrest to advance the interests of the private individuals funding the corruption,
- 4. Providing false information to the prosecution to motivate objections to bail,
- 5. Providing the court with knowingly false information to frustrate the progress of the bail application,
- 6. The illegal rescinding of bail granted, and based on false information,
- 7. Executing an arrest despite previous magistrates decline of the application for a warrant,
- 8. Use of arrest to carry out illegal evictions,
- 9. Use of cover of arrest to undertake an illegal entry to another unrelated premises and remove the legal occupants.,
- 10. Use of arrest and detention to intimidate witnesses,
- 11. Multiple physical assaults including by armed thugs with criminal records on innocent and defenceless housekeepers,
- 12. SAPS affidavits given four months post an arrest rewriting events to suit the current direction of investigation,
- 13. Extortion aided, facilitated by SAPS.
- 14. Harassment by as well as aided by SAPS,
- 15. A dozen attempted and actual illegal evictions,
- 16. Embezzlement, concealing of
- 17. Obstruction of the ends of justice,
- 18. Keeping files/docket (Broad complaint) open and alive to show as current investigations when a) the charge was false in the first place and b) one year later the matter is absolutely concluded, for the specific purpose of artificially influencing future bail applications.
- 19. Criminal defamation,
- 20. Aiding in slander, libel, defamation
- 21. Five illegal arrests of various people,
- 22. False imprisonment, at least three counts of
- 23. Criminal injuria.
- 24. Industrial scale perjury, forgery, fraud, blackmail, bribery,
- 25. Theft and retention of a British passport (On two separate occasions)
- 26. Interference in the visa extension processes,
- 27. Perversion of the course of justice,
- 28. Interference in the course of two bail applications,
- 29. The provision Home Affairs documents, statements and affidavits intentionally providing the courts with false information,
- 30. Witness statements obtained by coercion, threats, intimidation, lies and bribery.
- 31. Intimidation of witnesses,
- 32. Misrepresentation by individuals impersonating police officers and or
- 33. Misrepresenting authority they do not have,
- 34. Sabotage of due process and court proceedings,
- 35. Falsifying information in bail forms
- 36. Private individuals giving orders for arrests,
- 37. Private individuals using arrests to disguise illegal evictions,
- 38. Refusal to take the victims statements regarding the assaults,
- 39. Refusal to execute High Court arrest warrants,
- 40. Knowingly participating in the placing of an entirely false charge,
- 41. Use of police resources to pursue the goals of private individuals,
- 42. Use of taxpayer money to fund a private vendetta,
- 43. Abuse and hijacking of the criminal justice system to advance the personal and financial objectives of private individuals.

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- 44. Pursuing the accused with no official file or docket,
- 45. Physical harm to the accused,
- 46. Collusion with individuals known to have planned the drugging, the torture, and the murder as well as disposal of the body of the target (Mr D Russell),
- 47. Knowingly assisting in the rigging of bail applications to secure a rejection.
- 48. Including inflating value of goods to manipulate the crime into a Section 5 offence,
- 49. Obtaining false affidavit and submitting such to the court,
- 50. Contempt of court. Refusing to attend storage unit as directed by the judge (to avoid dismissal of a charges),
- 51. Assisting the private individuals to nullify court orders and ignore high Court orders and interdicts,
- 52. Knowing constructing a Protection Order based entire on perjury and serving such while in the cells of Hout Bay police station,
- 53. Keeping the accused in the police station cells longer than needed on the instruction of the private individuals to provide a head start in stealing the properties, contents, and bank accounts,
- 54. Denying the accused their legal and human rights,
- 55. Thwarting attempts to contact their attorney,
- 56. Knowingly motivating and allowing private individuals to order a full SWAT team armed raid on the targets home. For their own personal agenda. Despite there being mot the slightest genuine cause for such.
- 57. Keeping files/docket (Disberry complaint) open and alive to show as current investigations when a) the charge was false in the first place and b) one year later the matter is absolutely concluded, for the specific purpose of artificially influencing future bail applications.
- 58. Falsifying prearrest information saying guns at the property\*, knowing this to be untrue, (we have assumed here that was what motivated the SWAT team raid but have no direct evidence of such)
- 59. Intentionally causing the target maximum humiliation, collusion between police and individuals regarding a choreographed pre-planned media ambush,
- 60. Police colluding with the private individuals and private investigators to specifical engineer as long a remand as possible to enable private individuals to steal property, personal possessions, property contents and artwork,
- 61. Enabling an illegal eviction to steal R33million of refurbishments, R4 millions of contents and the completion of the primary aim of the campaign by securing the last three residences and thereby a total of over R100 million in rents more than what they would have received otherwise.

As reported previously, what we have is group of already wealthy privileged private individuals who have used, abused, and hijacked the apparatus of state, in particular SAPS and the criminal justice system, to achieve their objectives. These objectives being entirely private, personal, financial, and criminal.

Where their efforts to misappropriate assets both via the civil courts and via their criminal actions had failed, after the appointment of Wouter de Swardt to head and coordinate their campaign, they simply switched strategies exploiting corruption to enhance their campaign by illegally using the power and resources of the state, i.e., SAPS.

To date stealing property and assets with values in the tens of millions and in so doing stealing over R100 million in premium rental income that will be generated over the now breached contractual periods.

#### Some of the issues discovered since the first letter include.

Possibly the most alarming issue yet has been the discovery that the private investigator
Wouter de Swardt and his colleagues in SAPS \*including the one investigating officer Mr
Stevens colluded prior to the arrest to capitalise on it thereafter with a plan specifically

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aimed at creating victims. To create a situation where up to one hundred families (circa one thousand guests) were to be deceived into arriving at properties for their stay in Cape Town only to find their host had lost control of that property weeks or months earlier but no one had informed the platform.

Instead of informing the one platform of the change of control of the properties, so that the platform could either have found the guests alternative properties or refunded them, they went out of their way and to considerable efforts to do the very opposite and to avoid either informing the platform or avoid the platform finding out.

So that they could cause as many families as possible to live through the nightmare they planned, whereby only on arrival would they discover they were homeless and their money inaccessible. In the absence of any genuine cases of fraud this was with the very specific goal of creating as many victims as possible to aid in misrepresenting these as an example of a fraudulent enterprise.

As they had been confident the plans put in place to scupper bail would be successful, with the only person who would initially know otherwise in Pollsmoor and the equipment, devices and data needed to properly investigate and respond locked up and held illegally by SAPS there was no reason to think their plan would be discovered.

In addition, the attempts of de Swardt and SAPS since to keep these newly created victims out of pocket and ignorant of the means of obtaining their refund.

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- 2. The observations of those who witnessed the arrests that both the operation at fisherman's Bend and the illegal operation at Leirmans Road who stated unequivocally that the private investigator Mr de Swart was firmly in charge, leading, directing, commanding. And enjoying
- 3. The subsequent **dossier compiled by Mr de Swardt alongside and for SAPS**, as well as for the civil proceedings that had been prepared ahead of the arrest in readiness for submission the moment the arrest was executed, demonstrates very clearly what the plan was. Having avoided the platform finding out, they waited for family after family to arrive. Not to assist them in any way but to document each.

Worse, despite knowing the advice best suited to help each family, (egg call Booking.com) they give the very opposite advice to steer them away from a resolution to increase the chances of losses.

With two dozen slots per month across the residences, which meant circa one hundred families could be genuinely booked I and accommodated. If the theory exposed by Mr de Swardt and the IO were true and that double triple or quadruple bookings were being taken across the residences and throughout the weeks, then in theory that figure of one hundred

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would double, triple or quadruple. Resulting in between one hundred and four hundred families arriving at a villa they would not be able to stay in

As it transpired there, we are only a dozen. Well below the one hundred slot capacity over the summer period. As the volume of guests was actually under rather than over capacity then self-evidently there is no operation of double, triple or quadruple bookings. And in regard to this specific callous project and experiment, actual arrivals were 90% under capacity.

In the absence of the deluge of guests they had hope they then fabricate their finding in the most extreme way. With the data on 80% of the guests included being false.

- 4. The irrefutable confirmation that the arrest was a cover for, and disguise of an illegal eviction instructed by the owner motivated by the greed of the owner and quite astonishingly the desire of the new owners to take their three-month vacation there considerably prior to have any right to do so.
- 5. In fact, it has transpired it was **two illegal evictions** at two properties simultaneously using the arrest as a cover and disguise not just for the illegal eviction of that property but another unrelated property, including the illegal arrest of the occupants to remove them on behalf of the owners.
- 6. Thereby SAPS and the private individuals circumventing PIE and all legislation and protections afforded to tenants. Brushing aside and voiding a high court interdict. Contravening the orders off the civil and criminal courts.
- 7. To facilitate the second illegal eviction, required the illegal arrest and false imprisonment of persons entirely unrelated to the primary arrest to intimidate and remove. Which SAPS provided as instructed. Including the housekeeper, Ollie Sokanyile's girlfriend. Arrested, removed, and released. No warrant existed for these arrests nor the entry to the property. With Ollie arrested 6 weeks later and kept at Hout Bay station for a week as punishment / retribution for having challenged Mr de Swardt and SAPS

ADDED TO THE GROWING EVIDENCE ARE THE INTERVIEWS WITH THE HOUSEKEEPERS AND OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY UNRELEATED TO THE AREST AND OR THE SEIZURE WARRANT THAT HAD NO PART OF THE OFFICAL ARREST BUT WHERE SAPS PEELED OFF FOR A SECRET SIDE OPERATION TO CLEAR THE HOUSE OF OCCUAPNTS AND PASS THE KEYS TO THE OWNER

8. The **affidavit by the investigating officer given four months after arrest** attempting to rewrite history to suit the current direction. Including his continued pursuit of a charge with no basis in law. This is perjury and a wholesale rewriting of the truth.

The recent addition to the file of the affidavit of the Investigating Officer is demonstrably false. With the prosecution having withdrawn all the charges the IO insisted they kept the immigration charge despite it being the weakest of them all. For reasons explained further on.

The immigration matter was not part of the arrest. Rather it had been created and used by SAPS et alto exert control over and prejudice Mr Russell including aiding their attempts to 'rig' both bail applications. But was not expected to play a role as a charge. Now that it is the only charge the IO had had to lie to represent its inclusion. The statements and affidavits provided by the same IO purporting to be an independent assessment of immigration status from the

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Home Affairs department are also concerning as they factually mispresent the actual legal position.

Every time one attempt fails it is simply replaced by another. In the document "Conduct of SAPS officers, Mr de Swardt and his clients" it lists over one hundred and twenty events that point to corruption and the extremely unhealthy relationships involved.

It also provides a list of over sixty different examples of attempts made to either directly result in an arrest and incarceration or in trying to extend incarceration further.

Far beyond the implications for the individuals affected in this matter, there are even more serious and wider implications for all tenants. What SAPS have managed to do is very effectively overrule and veto Parliament and the judiciary by sweeping aside PIE and effectively destroying all tenant protections.

What should be the most junior of the various arms of the state and subservient and servant to both parliament and the judiciary is explicitly ignoring and making redundant what they have laid down as law.

By carrying out an illegal eviction disguised as an arrest it has made all of the protections afforded to tenants worthless

And as mentioned, it now transpires that this same tactic was used to illegally gain possessions of not one but two properties on the same day.

Then not content with making PIE redundant, the police have now started to recreate situations, circumstances, and environments with the specific aim of creating victims, reproduced, and engineered to appear to have resulted from the crime they claim to be investigating but where no actual victims exist.

As mentioned, one of the many benefits to the private individuals using the states apparatus and power is that it is enormously cheaper than going via any legal routes. Such routes would cost hundreds of thousands per round of litigation and per property. Whereas abusing the power of the state the campaign is effective free to the user. As well as far more lethal and far more effective.

The other side to all of this being free to those individuals abusing the system is that their entire campaign and ne that is entirely financial is being funded by the South African taxpayer.

The South African taxpayer funding their criminal profiteering. And while these private individuals stand to make profits in the tens of millions, those who can least afford it fund their fight. The wealthy getting wealthier by using and abusing the system and those whose hard work funds it.

In brief, the arrest was supposedly for operating a fraudulent enterprise. I.e., Taking double, triple, quadruple bookings for the same dates and villas with no intention of delivering. Leaving guests high, dry, stranded and without funds. This despite not a single complaint out of the thousands of enquiries and bookings in 2022. To the point SAPS had to dredge up three complaints that had resulted from the chaos of Covid 19 that had been dismissed at the time as a civil dispute.

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This was one of a number of reasons why after three months of SAPS attempting to delay the bao; application even starting the prosecution withdraw all the fraud charges.

(NB: Although only after SAPS had exhausted their delaying tactics and the patience of the court (the magistrate set a deadline to actually decide on final charges and stop stalling.

He also called for an inquiry into the initial granting and declining of bail)

Mr. de Swardt was aware that to have a prospect of success that in the absence of any evidence whatsoever of any impropriety in the year since Omicron it was necessary to have both victims and recent activity he could misrepresent as fraud,

If the arrests were genuinely for operating a fraudulent enterprise, it would be expected that once an arrest had been made one of the first things the police would do would be to ensure all current guests were informed their villas booked were no longer available to ensure they did not become victims of this fraud that was supposedly being operated. more became victims of the fraud. In this instance all the key players, including de Swardt, Sergeant Stevens, Inge Broad, Ms Disberry knew which platform was used (there was only one) and knew how to make contact having done so on two dozen occasions that year when having the profiles pulled down. One phone call would have resulted in the platform contacting all guests booked from that point and for all of 2023 to notify them the villas were no longer available, to find them an allative villa or arrange a refund.

If you think you have discovered a driver of a high-speed train is drink, or has suicidal intentions, or has a bomb on board or indeed is a danger to the passengers in any way, then the correct thing to do would be to arrest and remove him to protect the passengers. You would then one assumes stop the train and get the passengers off.

What you do not is remove the driver to protect the passengers but then leave the train going at full speed with the passengers still on it.

If you did, then what was the point of arresting the driver if you then leave the passengers to die anyway.

But this is precisely what de Swardt and Stevens did. They removed the driver (who it later transpires was innocent anyway) but purposely did nothing to save the passengers. Keeping the arrest of the driver a secret so the passengers had no idea of the crash towards which they were heading.

What they did do though was gather at the site they expected the train to crash, ready to take notes from any victims, tell the victims it was all the diver's fault, so that they can then use those victims to prosecute the diver for the crash

De Swardt and SAPS intentionally did not contact Booking.com. they all categorically ne who the platform provider was. Instead leaving the platform completely ignorant of this very important change. The aim was explicitly to ensure every family who had booked were unaware and would travel to Cape Town and arrive at the villas expecting to be checked in. Only then finding out they had nowhere to stay.

With Mr de Swardt ensuring, he was in the villa at the time or on hand to "help" distressed guests. Notes with his number put on the front of the villas. Paraphrasing Mr. de Swar' conversation with every set of guest telling them (1) they had been scammed, (2) they were one of thousands to be scammed, (3) as such they stood no chance of recovering their money or getting an alternative villa, (4) that contacting the host or Bookings had proved pointless for others and a waste of time, (5) therefore they needed to make their own efforts to find an alternative villa, and (6) the best and only option for resolution lay in pressing charges at a SAPS station.

Each facet of the rehearsed speech was a lie. (1) When the bookings were taken the villas were under Mr. Russell's' control with all bookings made for dates within the current contract term. It was the

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illegal eviction that resulted in the villas no longer being available. (2) Had the villas not effectively been stolen there were sufficient capacity to accept an average of twenty-four booking each month, roughly one hundred bookings over the summer season which would equate to a little over one thousand guests.

In reality to Mr de Swardts disappointment, they failed to find a single scammed guest. In the end Mr. de Swardt reported only eleven guest bookings arriving over that whole summer season. De Swardt claimed all paid money into the Cape Exclusives bank account. In reality only one did. And that payment was received after the arrest and was one where a guest had simply sent payment in without having yet made a booking via booking.com or checked the dates were still available.

although de Swardt claimed all were via Mr. Russell. Any that were, however, were guaranteed either an alternative villa or a refund as the only bookings Mr Russell took were via Booking.com. And almost guests paid by card so had two forms of surety. And had they contacted booking.com rather than been dissuaded from doing so then they would also have had a n attentive villa secured likely within an hour or two.

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We estimate that there is at least R2 millions of funds due to guests which they are entitled, and the means exist to ensure they receive this. But while de Swardt and SAPS continue to interfere and have control that will be almost impossible. Such as card refunds, charge backs or refunds via the Platform. This becomes s all the more urgent as the various routes to refund all have timelines beyond which these ceases. As with the platforms who all have cut off periods and likewise chargeback facilities the entitlement to which expires after specified periods,

And due to the best efforts of Mr de Swardt and SAPS we are very close to these already. Once passed the losses would be irrecoverable.

This and much more are contained within the various correspondence attached and to follow. Everything within or stated has evidence that underpins it,

We appreciate that there is a lot to read and suggest the representations, corruption, analysis, crimes,

conduct Of Saps Officers Mr de Swardt

The document "Principal Documents & Evidence Folders" contains the links to all of the main letters below:

- 1. Principle Documents and Evidence Folders (Updated)
- 2. The stolen portfolio assets income possessions and various links. Illegal evictions disguised as arrests. Aug23
- 3. Conduct of SAPS officers Mr de Swardt and his clients Corruption Collusion Complicity 11.5.30147.23

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- 4. The crimes of Wouter de Swardt his clients and SAPS 12.5.2.7.23 (updated August)
- 5. Timelines 2021 to 2023. A chronological list of events directly related to the consortium of Mr de Swardt, his clients and SAPS.
- 6. Analysis of submissions by Wouter De Swardt his clients and SAPS officers 11.5.30.6.23
- 7. Relationship of people and groupings to the consortium 7.23. Directional ATTACKS
- 8. Representations (Full length) To the SSP. On behalf of my client 29.6.2023. Draft 4.1.iv
- 9. Sergeant Stevens Entirely Untrue Affidavit (provided 4 months after the arrest) and the suspicious Home Affairs Affidavit a...
- 10. Case No. 7902.22 Application to Hear Oral Evidence and Affidavit Darren Russell Copy (with notes)
- 11. Mario Boffa, attempt at extorting R46000. What's app export of conversation, including fifty voice notes.

By definition, corruption should be completely hidden or at the very least very hard to identify examples of. But the individuals involved and in particular the SAPS officers responsible for this list, are confident of their immunity from investigation or the consequences of their actions. Their control of the agenda, the narrative, perception, and the flow of information has deflected all attention away from them, their motives, and methods. With a particular emphasis on manipulating and deceiving the media, NPA and guests.

At the December arrest, when passing through the office as Mr Russell was being escorted out ready to be paraded in front of the media as Mr de Swardt had rer4ed happen, the investigating officer looked at the wall of white boards in Mr. Russell's office. Out of the dozens of reminders and notes one simply said IPID (a reminder to lodge the formal complaint. The IO pointed to it and asked, "what's that." Mr. Russell answered, "it's a reminder for me to contact IPID," to which the IO laughed and responded "Pathetic. They are idiots, they have no power, like a dog with no teeth," what do you think they are going to do. Say goodbye, you will not be seeing this place again "all Mr Russell could think of to reply was "even a dog without teeth still has claws."

It cannot be right that private individuals can subcontract their personal and purely financial disputes to SAPS to deal with. It cannot be right that a group of private individuals can effectively go on a crime spree assisted by SAPS. Likewise, it cannot be right that allegedly professional private investigator can hire eight enormous thugs to forcibly enter defenceless people's homes and eject the occupants. It cannot be right that a private investigator acting on behalf of and paid by the owners of the properties, can command arrests, raids, and dozens of police officers. It cannot be right that documents are forged, paperwork tampered with, passports stolen, witnesses threatened, and visa extensions sabotaged.

Most alarmingly it cannot be right that private individuals with either enough money oh enough contacts or special relationships with Subs officers can now completely ignore every protection afforded to tenants in their home and ignore pie the civil and for that matter criminal courts. Having weaponized the state in their pursuit what has been created is effectively evictions to order.

And not only is this course of action far faster and far cheaper than the correct legal course it is funded entirely by the South African taxpayer.

Those involved appear so confident in their invincibility that in the absence of evidence and victims they decide to create the environment and circumstances from which both can be created. In doing so showing not the slightest concern that they would ruin the holidays and finances of up to 1000 guests

The fact that the Investigating officer felt it necessary to perjure himself and provide an affidavit about the arrest four months after the arrest says a lot. That the charge is because f the failure to leave the country on the 31 March 2021 when there was an automatic visa extension programme in place for all of that year is equally baffling. In reality this is not about any visa breach but about

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finding anything whatsoever to justify an arrest, detention or elongate detention. With over seventy such attempts and moves that we can list. We have no doubt that should the prosecution withdraw the immigration charge, then we expect Mr de Swardt and thereby SAPS to move immediately with new charges, any charges to keep Mr Russell on bail and trapped pending their next attempt.

To convey just how essential the illegal arrests were to their campaign. The portfolio as created and built by Mr Russell consisted of five properties, configured into six top end luxury residences, with a capital value of R140 million and a rental income over the five-year tenure of R150 million. Added to this the millions on refurbishments, furnishings, and contents of each residence. All of this the result of Mr Russell's investment of time, expertise and money.

This was the portfolio and landscape o the morning of the first arrest. By the afternoon of the second arrest just a few weeks later every single thing mentioned had been taken.

Precisely why Mr de Swardt was hired and precisely why his strategy to use SAPS has proved a triumph.

In April we made a formal request for your assistance in investigating this corruption and criminality. In august we are begging for your assistance.

Kind regards

Lauren Van Riet

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Subject: RE: Complaint - Reporting Systemic Corruption in the South African Police Service Batch 1

Dear Ms Ntlatseng

I hope you are well.

Please ignore the title of the email, this was from the original email back in October of last year. The complaint relates to officers from Hout Bay, Camps Bay and Belville Commercial

As mentioned, we have a meeting with Psira today and would appreciate similar progress with regards to IPID

Thank you very much.

Darren de Rodez Benavent Russell 0795481226

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Good Day

Please find attached correspondence for your perusal re complaint to be lodged on behalf of Mr Darren Russell.

Yours Sincerely,

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