

TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION COMMISSION**SECTION 29 INQUIRY**

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NAME: C WANASE

HELD AT: CAPE TOWN

CHAIRPERSON: Ladies and gentlemen, I see there are no ladies but it is a matter of saying..

This is a Section 29 inquiry, an investigative process with Mr C Wanase as the witness. I believe that Mr Kobus Malan is representing Mr Wanase.

The inquiry as I understand it is an extension of one that was held a couple of weeks ago in East London and the basis for this hearing, or inquiry today was that certain information which was going to expand on issues that were raised in the invitation or the letter of invitation or subpoena to Mr Wanase would be made available to the inquiry, today.

I believe that the information was going to be gathered by Mr Wanase's lawyers from other clients whom he represents in a way that would have made our investigation and information gathering worth our while and the matter was extended to today on that basis.

I have Mr Malan, and there have been indications before we commenced these proceedings that certain representations are going to be made by Mr Malan. Over to Mr Malan.

MR MALAN: Thank you Mr Chairman, I would just like to confirm the following that we were thankful for the opportunity that was granted by you and your committee on the 6th, earlier this month. Unfortunately we were not in a position to furnish you today with information that we thought that would be ready. I can give you the assurance that we have done a lot to make sure that we can present you with a submission today but unfortunately it was not available.

I furthermore contacted Mr Torie Pretorius of the Attorney General's offices and he is busy assisting me in obtaining one outstanding dossier. We already obtained the one that we mentioned in East London on the 6th of April but unfortunately we cannot compile a profile of the whole submission unless we have the dossier available.

I do believe that what is said here is extremely confidential and I will not be held for liable or slander or something in that concept and in that spirit I would like to convey to the Commission that it is of such a high profile, we would like to follow up on each and every averment that is made so that we can furnish you with tested evidence.

Mr Chairman it is of such high profile that the names of Mr Bantu Holomisa and Mr Titi Matanzima is in the sharp end in this point and it is therefore that I would like to do homework on a very very thorough basis before I stick my head out and those of my clients if we cannot substantiate what we are trying to convey to you.

In the light thereof I would request that we have a further remandment, if it's possible *sine die*. I would contact one of your Committee members Mr Dugard Maqegesa whose number is available to me. I'm prepared to have it within a time limit which you may find fit. I will keep him posted as we progress. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON: Mr Maqegesa do you want to say anything.

MR MAQEGESA: No nothing Mr Chairman.

CHAIRPERSON: Now is the position therefore Mr Malan that you would like the matter to be remanded or to be adjourned to a date to be arranged between you and Mr Maqegesa.

MR MALAN: Mr Chairman if that's possible I think it will be the more practical solution to the answer because if we arrange a date now I am still in the hands of Mr Pretorius to furnish me with that. I cannot tell you when he will do so but I'm quite sure that he will do his utmost best to do it as soon as possible but the information contained in that dossier still has to be followed up

and tested against all or some of the other clients that I also have. I think that will be the best solution.

CHAIRPERSON: What sort of time lines must we be looking at?

The ideal position was that all such enquiries should not go beyond the 30th of April, that can now no longer be achieved and then the next best alternative was a date in mid-May. Are we in a position to speculate as to what sort of date we should be looking at?

MR MALAN: Mr Chairman I would fairly think the date in mid-May will be of a sufficient time.

CHAIRPERSON: Well in the light of your representations which I think are fairly reasonable, the matter will be adjourned to a date to be arranged between you Mr Malan and Mr Maqegesa; such date preferably not to be a date beyond the middle of May 1998 in view of the fact that the Commission is intending to wind up its matters and proceedings, other than in the Amnesty Committee, by the end of June for presentation of the final report to the President by the 31st of July.

The matter therefore stands adjourned to a date to be arranged.

MR MALAN: I'm grateful.

COMMITTEE ADJOURNS