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Human Rights Violations

MONTHLY MONITORING REPORT

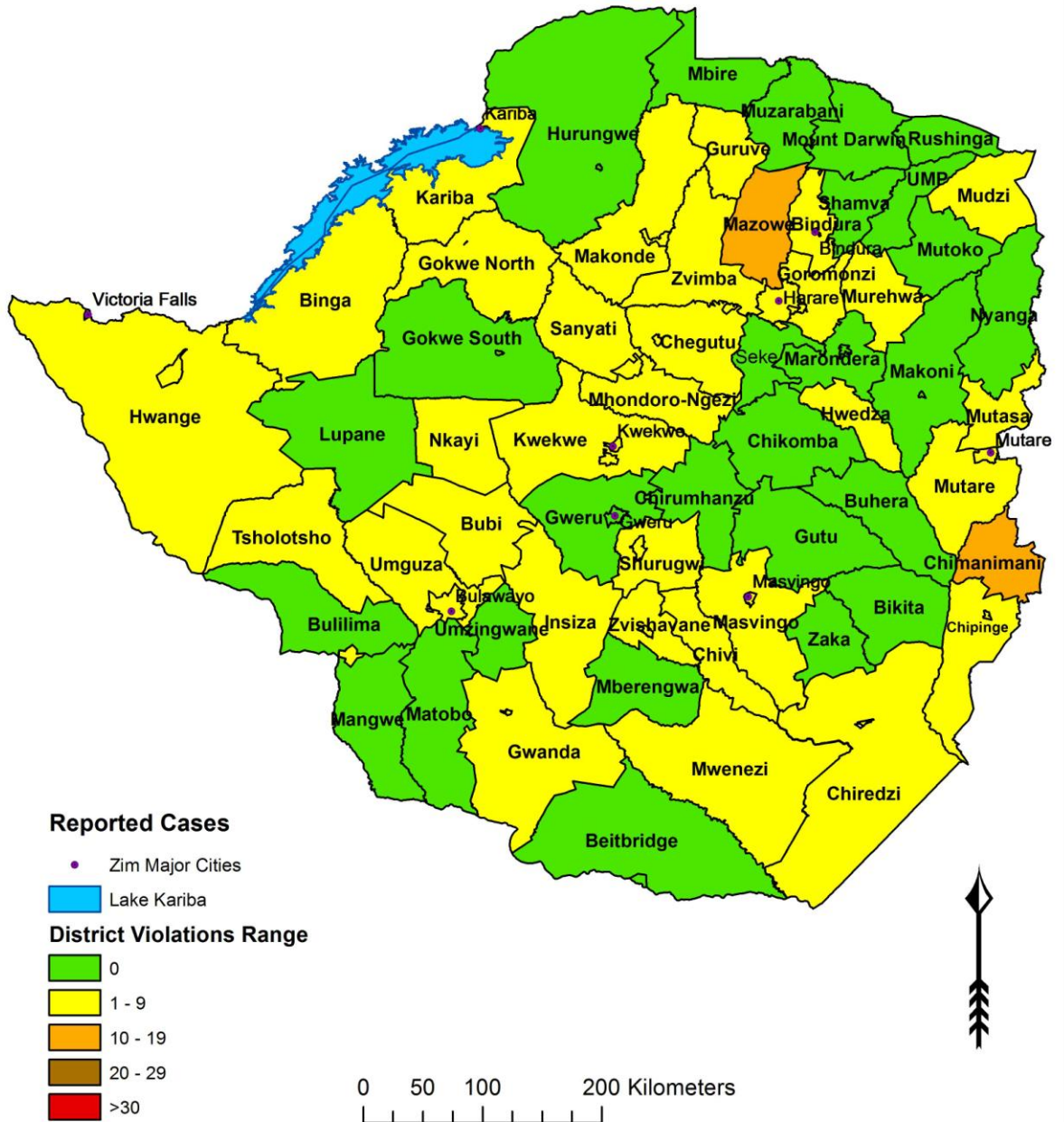
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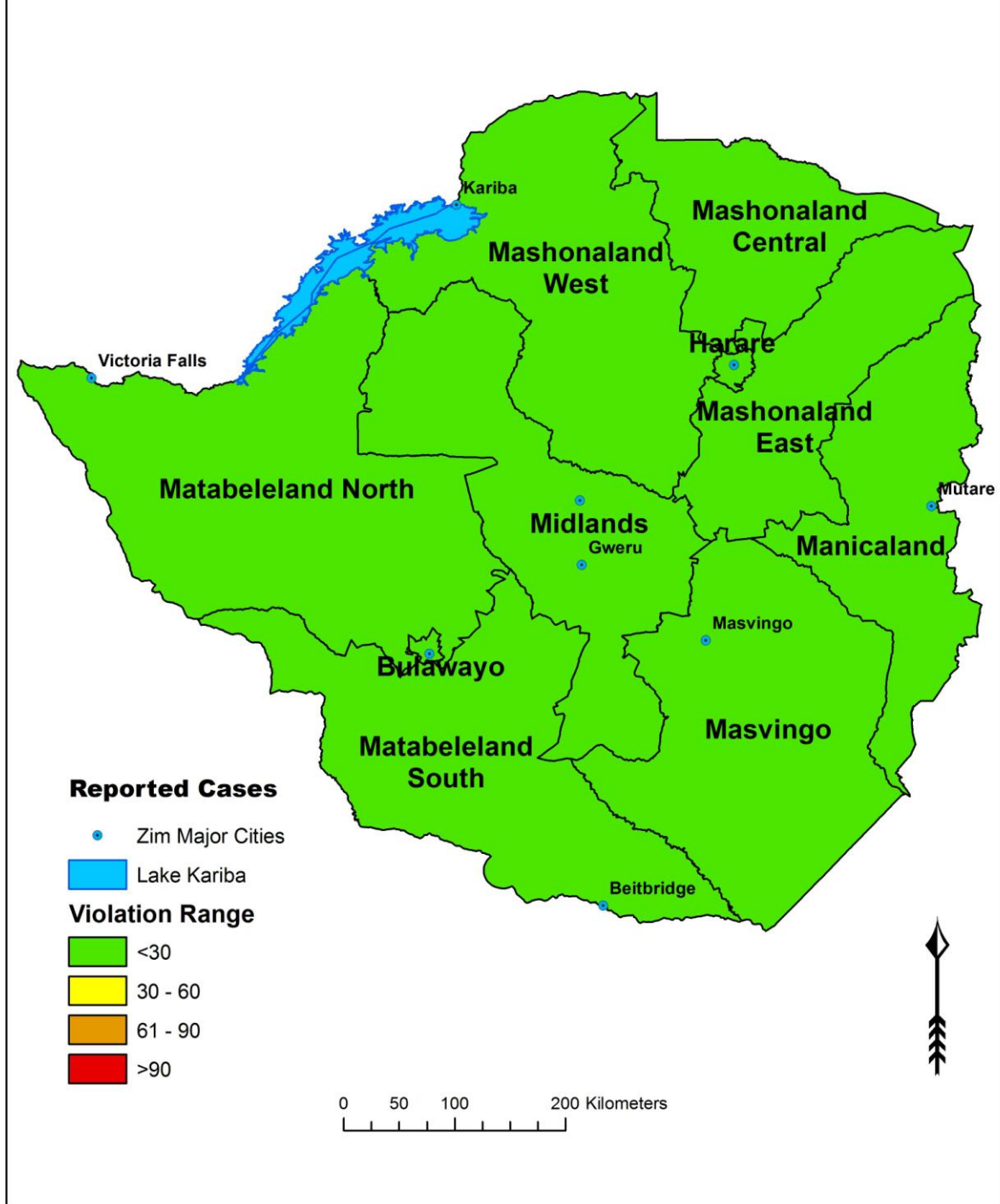
Acronyms

GMB	– Grain Marketing Board
Zanu PF	– Zimbabwe African National Union Patriotic Front
ZAPU	– Zimbabwe African People's Union
ZimPF	– Zimbabwe People First
ZNA	– Zimbabwe National Army
MP	-- Member of Parliament

April 2017 District Violations Map



April 2017 Provincial Violations Map



Executive Summary

This year's Independence celebrations resulted in human rights violations both before and after the event in terms of political harassment and intimidation cases perpetrated by ruling Zanu PF party supporters and some community leaders.



Figure 1: Military truck transporting people to Independence celebrations in Kariba

There were reports of people forced to contribute money, livestock or other food items towards the Independence celebrations. Those who failed to contribute were accused of being opposition party supporters and unspecified action was threatened against them. In Mbare, Harare, flea markets were closed as traders reported that they were forced to attend the Independence celebrations. There were similar reports of business closures in Nyanga North as traders were forced to attend Independence celebrations. The demand for cash and other contributions took place as the cash liquidity crunch intensified. Queues at most financial institutions got longer while it was not surprising for clients to be offered cash in the form of bond coins as the bond note disappeared.

There were intra-party violence cases reported particularly in the ruling Zanu PF party where succession disputes are reported to have left Political Commissar Saviour Kasukuwere on the verge of being ousted. The process has often been a

violent one characterised by intimidation, harassment and in some instances physical violence. In Harare, three people suffered broken limbs after pro-Kasukuwere and anti-Kasukuwere supporters clashed. A ZPP team member who was taking pictures of the marches was taken into a police van and ordered to delete pictures before being released.

Supporters on either side have tried to prevent the other from marching and in some cases arrests have been made. President Robert Mugabe is on record prohibiting party members from demonstrating and issuing a directive through Mashonaland Central Provincial Affairs Minister Martin Dinha to stop all demonstrations. Neither President Mugabe nor Provincial Affairs Minister Dinha has constitutional powers to prevent demonstrations or to authorise them.

Vice President Emmerson Mnangagwa's remarks that his ruling party was 'fumigating' itself have also been criticised by political observers as inflammatory especially with some of the political conflicts becoming violent. The use of such inflammatory language has the potential to trigger and fuel violence. Vice President Phelekezela Mphoko invited the military to deal with critics of President Mugabe within the ruling party despite the constitution being clear that the military may not be deployed for such purposes.

The Chronicle reported that Minister of Agriculture Joseph Made was commended by the ruling party for securing rice at Grain Marketing Board (GMB) which was distributed to Zanu PF supporters in the run up to the Mwenezi East by-election despite denials in the past by government that the distribution of food and other aid is being politicised. Cases of food violations have been noted to have gone down in the month of April. This may be because April is the month when most people harvest and it seems in some areas people are recording bumper harvests.

In incidents of intra-party violence reported in the MDC-T in Chinhoyi and Chegutu, party Secretary General Douglas Mwonzora said the party had not received such reports but if there was any truth in the reports, his party does not condone violence and would investigate the cases.

President Mugabe urged citizens to respect other citizens' right to freedom of association although people particularly opposition party supporters continued to be

intimidated and harassed by ruling party supporters without the police taking action in most of the cases.

Zimbabwe Peace Project (ZPP) reports for April show a total of 123 violations up from last month's 112. The month under focus had 798 victims altogether. Of these victims, those affiliated to the Movement for Democratic Change (MDC-T) stood at 3.4 % which translates to 27 people while those affiliated to Zanu PF are 19.

A total of 798 victims and 188 perpetrators were recorded. 62.2 % of the victims were male while 37.8 % were females. 87.6% of the perpetrators were male while 12.4 % were female.

146 perpetrators were affiliated to the ruling Zanu PF party which is 77.7 % of the figure. Only one of the perpetrators could not be established which party they were affiliated to. 18 perpetrators were police officers while 7 of the perpetrators were Central Intelligence Organisation operatives and 14 perpetrators were from the MDC-T. There was a drastic decrease in the number of unknown perpetrators this month.

Outlook

Deepening internal conflict within the ruling party, increase in hate speech cases may point towards a volatile environment as the 2018 elections approach. There has been an increase in the media of hate speech rhetoric from politicians with at least 4 cases recorded at high level meetings. Failure by police to arrest perpetrators of political violence also points towards a bleak political environment towards the 2018 elections. The Zimbabwe Human Rights Commission said they are still investigating the violations recorded at Manzou Farm and disputed that they are meeting resistance from government officials in Mashonaland Central.

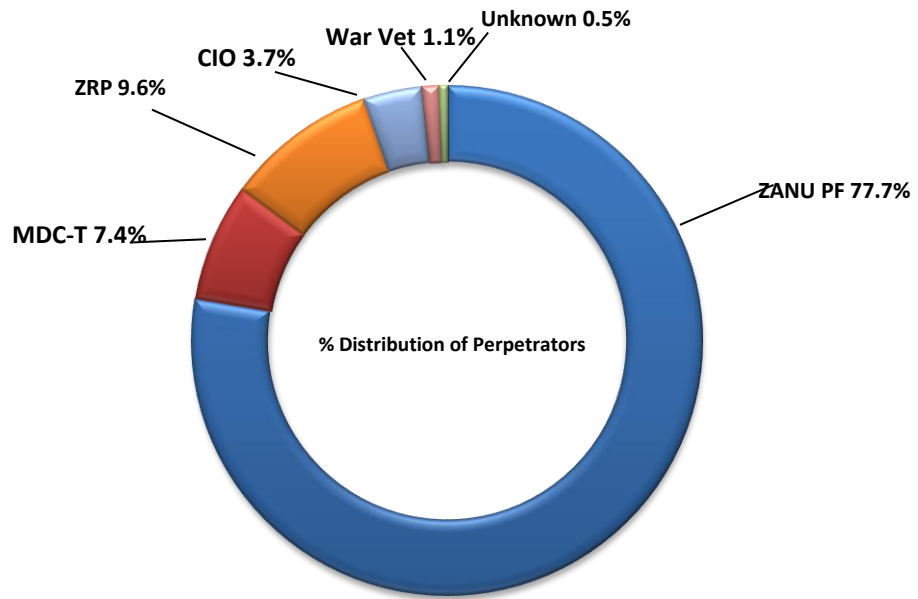
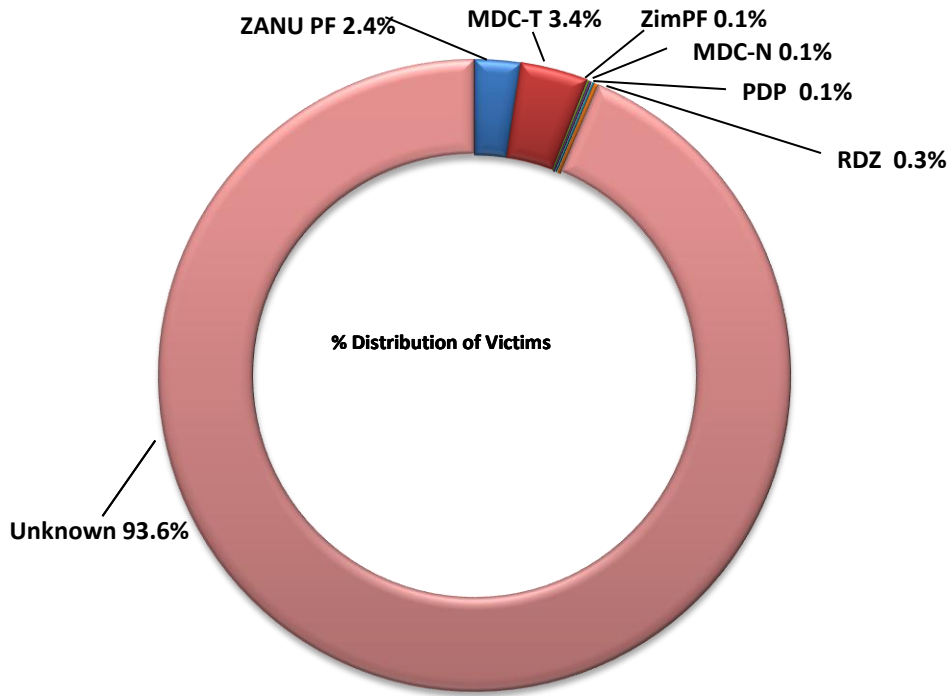
Data Gathering Methodology

Information contained herein is based on reports from ZPP long-term community based human rights monitors, who observe and record cases of human rights violations in the constituencies they reside. ZPP deploys a total of 420 community-based primary peace monitors (two per each of the 210 electoral constituencies of Zimbabwe). The monitors compile reports that are handed over to ZPP Coordinators who man the different ZPP regional offices in the ten administrative provinces of Zimbabwe. Upon receipt and verification of the reports from the monitors, the Coordinators compile provincial monthly monitoring reports, which are then consolidated at the national office into the ZPP Monthly Monitoring Report published in retrospect.

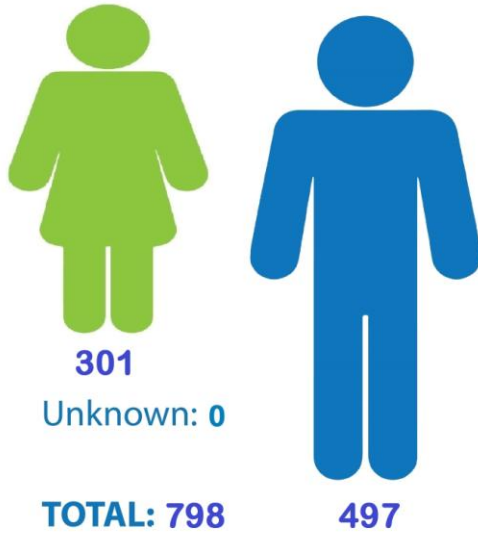
This report contains some of the violations recorded by ZPP; the organisation has a data base with the rest of the injustices and gladly shares it with interested stakeholders.

THE DASHBOARD – INCIDENTS' STATISTICS AT A GLANCE

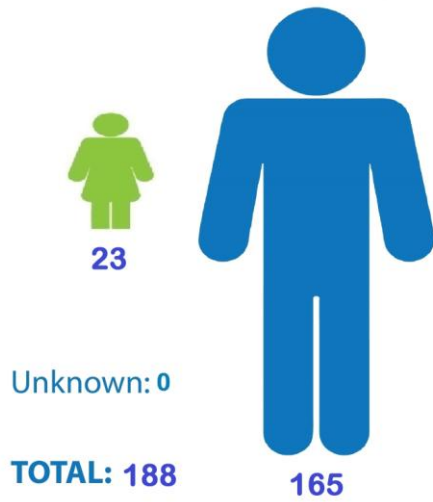
Analysis of violence victims by party



Analysis of Violence Victims by Gender



Analysis of Violence Perpetrators by Gender



Recorded Intra-Party Violations

Province	MDC-T	ZANU PF	MDC-N	ZimPF	PDP	Total
Bulawayo	0	0	0	0	0	0
Harare	0	2	0	0	0	2
Manicaland	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mash Central	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mash East	0	2	0	0	0	2
Mash West	2	0	0	0	0	2
Masvingo	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mat North	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mat South	0	0	0	0	0	0
Midlands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Overall Total	2	4	0	0	0	6

6 intra party violations were recorded for Zanu PF and MDC-T with 4 cases recorded for Zanu PF and 2 for MDC-T for April

Distribution of violence by type across provinces

ACTS	Midlands	Byo	Mat. South	Mat. North	Masvingo	Manicaland	Harare	Mash. East	Mash. West	Mash. Central	TOTAL
Murder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape/Sexual Harassment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kidnapping/abduction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	2	0	6
Theft/looting	1	0	1	2	4	6	1	1	3	7	26
Discrimination	1	1	1	3	1	3	1	2	0	2	15
MDP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Torture	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unlawful Detention	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Intimidation /harassment	6	1	3	12	11	10	3	7	9	11	73
Displacement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Attempted Murder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Attempted Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Banned Political Party Mtg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disrupted Political Mtg	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	8	2	5	18	16	19	9	10	16	20	123

Harassment and Intimidation cases continued to dominate the recorded violations with 73, followed by theft /looting with 26 and discrimination with 15 cases. Mashonaland Central had the highest recorded violations with 20 cases, followed by Manicaland with 19 recorded violations, and Matabeleland North with 18 cases.

Provincial Summaries

Harare

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
7 April	Freedom of assembly and association	In an incident recorded in Epworth Constituency next to Epworth Police Station, Zanu PF supporters disrupted World Health Day commemorations on allegations that the event was being held on their land. It was reported that three Zanu PF activists led by Mike Smoko from Munyuki shops clad in ruling party T-shirts ordered ERDA [Epworth Residence Development Association] Director Promise Makaka to wrap up the programme. Zanu PF councillors identified as Japhet Chiromo [ward 2], Hamson Shadaya [ward 6], Muchaneta [ward 5] and Erina Mazhandu [ward 1] ordered Makaka to dismiss the audience at the function. Chiromo was quoted saying, "We are protecting our people here. You cannot just budge in and hold your events without notifying us," .The police had been notified and attended the event.
10 April	Right to personal security	Suspected Zanu PF youths patrolled Budiro Extension, razing wooden cabins erected by council employees saying that they owned the land. It is alleged that council employees had been granted official permission to build structures on the land through council offer letters but ruling party supporters visited the site at midnight and burnt down all structures erected.



11 April	Right to personal security	There was intra party violence recorded in Mabvuku Tafara constituency Ward 20 at Caledonia Pota Farm. It is alleged that two Zanu PF factions were at loggerheads over land ownership. Reports are that Zanu PF District Chairperson Munyaradzi Nyamukondiwa had a dispute with Cde Bili as the duo raised counter claims of ownership of the land. The dispute between the two party officials resulted in their supporters clashing.
11 April	Right to food	A case of corruption was reported in Highfield West constituency Ward 25 and 26. Government officials particularly Highfield District Officer Ms Kandizi, from the Ministry of Youth, Indigenization & Empowerment, Mrs N Tagarira the District Administrator and Ms Gondo Assistant District Administrator for Highfield were accused of withholding maize meant for vulnerable groups during a government social welfare food distribution program. Reports are that, the trio confiscated three 50kg bags of maize, which was allocated to orphans, widows and the elderly people in the community. .
16 April	Right to personal security Freedom to demonstrate and petition	There was intra-party violence recorded at Zanu PF Provincial headquarters in Harare Central Business District, prior to the Independence celebrations. It is alleged that an anti-Mashayamombe-Kasukuwere faction which sought to petition a vote of no confidence against the duo was attacked by the Mashayamombe –Kasukuwere faction which threw stones at the mob. Reports highlight that the two factions at loggerheads were later dispersed by anti riot police. Three people were reportedly injured.

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
3 April	Freedom of assembly and association	It was reported that at Tilbury Estate ward 12 of Chimanimani East, a lady only identified as Talent's mother and Mr Sabudu who are members of the ruling Zanu PF party undertook a door-to-door campaign allegedly demanding \$1.25 per head for independence celebrations. The payment was said to be compulsory and if one did not pay, a follow-up visit was threatened until the money was paid. Notable victims of the campaign were Chitindi Arther*, Martin Chimweta*.
14-15 April	Freedom of assembly and association	It was reported that between 10-15 April, villagers in Chipinge East at Mandera village under village head Chikunya were forced to contribute \$2 per household towards the Independence Day celebrations. The people who were leading this operation were the Zanu PF ward chairperson Mr Moyana and war veteran John Maphosa. The two were also responsible for noting those who have contributed. All those who did not comply with this directive were said to have been threatened with unspecified action.
16 April	Freedom of assembly and association	It was reported that people in Jinga, Hapare and Nechitima villages in ward 3 of Chimanimani West were forced to contribute \$1 per head towards the Independence celebrations, which were later held at Chiseyama primary school. The ward 3 councillor Lovemore Musweweshiri spearheaded this campaign. He is alleged to have threatened those who would have failed to pay by removing them from the list of beneficiaries of government programmes such as the social welfare food programme and school

		committees. He is alleged to have threatened them with physical harm especially in the upcoming election period. He also reported to have said he would keep the names of those who would have contributed.
17 April	Freedom of assembly and association	It is reported the Zanu PF branch chairperson in Nyanyadzi area, Chimanimani West Chikaurai Josiya and one Isabel Masibera went to Nyanyadzi business centre to collect \$2 for the Independence celebrations from Prince Chikepe*. Chikaurai is alleged to have harassed and threatened Chikepe after (Chikepe) had demanded a receipt, the purpose of the money and the quantity of food one was guaranteed at the celebrations after paying. It was reported that on the 18 th which was the day of the celebration, Chikaurai announced at the gathering that some of the people in the area do not respect the Zanu PF party and that people should stop buying in Chikepe's shop. He went further to say Chikepe was supposed to close his shop for what was termed disrespecting the Zanu PF party and leadership.
18 April	Freedom of assembly and association	It was reported that on the 18 th of April, all shops at Nyanga North Business Centre were forced to close down and flea markets were also not spared. It is alleged that Nyanga North legislator, Supa Mandiwanzira (Zanu PF) had called for a rally which was to be merged with the Independence celebrations. It was reported that people were transported from different wards of Nyanga North to Nyanga Centre for the purposes of attending this rally and celebrations. It was also alleged that the closing down of businesses on this day was due to political threats from the Zanu PF Nyanga leadership. Business people followed this directive as they were afraid of being victimised.

17 April	Personal security	It was reported that at around 02:00am, some men went to Jerera*'s home with unclear intentions. Mr Jerera is the losing house of assembly independent candidate for Chipinge East in the 2013 elections. The intruders were heard talking outside the house and Jerera called out to his brother for help resulting in the intruders fleeing. The intruders were suspected Zanu PF activists who are against Jerera contesting again in 2018. This came after Jerera had made his intentions to contest again as an independent candidate in the upcoming 2018 elections known.
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Mashonaland Central

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
4 April	Right to property Right to personal security Political rights	It is alleged that Provincial Affairs minister Advocate Martin Dinha led a fundraising committee, which went to Forester A1 Commercial Farms, demanding employees to make donations towards Independence celebrations. Reports highlight that the delegation demanded money or cattle from the residents. It was reported that the farm employees were threatened and reminded that the land belonged to Zanu PF hence failure to comply with the set measures was an indirect application to be evicted and blacklisted in 2018. Some of the wards affected are ward 26, 27 and 29.
4 April	Right to human	It is alleged that Zanu PF Youth Chairperson Wonder Maposa from Kanounama Village Ward 19 was forcing youths to contribute 30cents per individual towards the Independence celebrations scheduled for April.

	dignity	Reports are that he also coerced villagers at Kazungu Negomo in ward 19 to contribute as well.
5 April	Right to personal security Political rights	It is reported that Zanu PF Chairperson Kaseke Bonde sent a youth delegation coercing residents in ward 12 to contribute a \$1 per adult towards the Independence celebrations. Reports are that, Anyway Mavhangira [36] and Makiyi [34] went around the ward collecting money and threatening those that had not contributed with severe punishment in 2018. It is alleged that the two also threatened Mr Kaswa* with assault when he failed to make a contribution.
8 April	Right to personal security	It is alleged that Zanu PF members, Africa Chivaura (48) and Wendile Chimusoro (44) conducted a door to door campaign in Bindura North Constituency Ward 12, illegally collecting money from residents towards the Independence celebrations. It is reported that the duo residing in ward 12 coerced the victims to contribute either one dollar each, mealie meal, rice, salt or cooking oil.
8 April	Political rights	It is reported that Zanu PF activists coerced vendors at Mvuri shopping mall to participate during the anti-Kasukuwere demonstrations held in Bindura. It is alleged that Munyaradzi Chakanetsa, Tirivafi Gwaze, Action Mubaiwa and Party Youth Leader Onward Tembure were the perpetrators. It was reported that the perpetrators threatened the victims with immediate eviction from the market place if they dared fail to attend the demonstrations.

Mashonaland East

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
18 April	Freedom of assembly and association Right to personal security	Mr Tsvura, Chairperson of Zanu PF in Mudzi South intimidated people during the Independence celebrations held at Makaha Primary School. Mr Tsvura took a register of people who attended the ceremony and accused others of not attending the national celebration. He accused villagers who had failed to attend the celebrations as Zanu PF enemies. It is alleged that he wrote down the names of all those who had not attended and said he would deal with them. This event clearly conveyed a message to the villagers that those who had failed to attend would be punished.
18 April	Freedom of expression Freedom of assembly and association	On independence day in Murewa North, Chapangano ward 16 Councillor Matiza of Zanu PF attended the celebrations in Zanu PF party regalia. This did not go well with Peoples Democratic Party (PDP)party members, one of the PDP members openly told the Councillor that he was politicizing the event. It is alleged that Tukisai Chodewa a PDP supporter boldly confronted the Councillor that national events gathering were not a show case of party regalia. The Councillor is alleged to have further provoked people by chanting Zanu PF slogans during the celebrations. This frustrated other people who are not Zanu PF supporters who attended the independence celebrations.

Mashonaland West

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
3 April	Right to personal security Freedom of assembly and association	An assault and destruction of property case was reported in Chegutu after an intra-party violence incident in ward 6. Councillor Dzeka, Veronica Maromo, Costa Harrison and Emson Mukandiwa of an MDC-T faction allegedly aligned to Charlton Hwende assaulted a woman only identified as Mai Jojo and destroyed her property. The case was reported to police. Dzeka is a Councillor in ward 9 but was seen in ward 6 campaigning with the help of his accomplices. A dispute erupted when Jojo confronted Councillor Dzeka on why he was conducting personal meetings in a ward that he was not a member. Dzeka got furious and with the help of his accomplices went on to assault Jojo.
8 April	Freedom of assembly and association	Zanu PF party wings are alleged to have been moving around the Muzvezve area collecting \$2 from each household. The system of collecting money from residents is a common and made compulsory before national and some party events. Those who fail to pay are accused of being opposition party supporters. Mrs Mbizo is a committee member responsible for collecting the money. On the 8 th of April 2017 she collected the money in village A and village B which is in ward 13 near Kundayi Railway Block 4 Primary. The villagers were forced to attend the meeting. It is alleged that people are being denied their freedom to choose a political party especially during election periods.
18 April	Freedom of assembly and	At Rimuka Stadium, Ward 5, Kadoma Central, Paul Ndoro aged 35 was harassed. The victim is was formerly with Zanu PF and is now Zimbabwe People First (ZimPF) youth Coordinator based in Kadoma. He

	association	was harassed by Zanu PF youths when he attended Independence celebrations, which took place on 18 April at Rimuka Stadium. Ngoro was denied entry by Zanu PF youths. The perpetrators are, Elias Moyo aged 27 and Cain Huni aged 34 . The perpetrators were instructed by Zanu PF party leaders to deny the victim entry into the stadium. The victim was humiliated in front of people and dragged outside while police were watching.
18 April	Freedom of assembly and association	During Independence celebrations, Chief Hozheri of Sanyati Mashonaland West is reported to have told village heads to talk to their villagers who were involved in an accident on their way to a National People's Party gathering in Chinhoyi. The Chief is alleged to have said 'it is not allowed for people in Sanyati to join other political parties and attending their meetings'. Chief Hozheri has declared Sanyati a no go area for the opposition and during the celebration he chanted Zanu PF slogans.
18 April	Freedom of assembly and association	In Kariba, Independence celebrations were held at Makande in Kariba rural. The organising member was Clever Chitofu of Ward 2 who is the Zanu PF District Youth Chairperson. On the eve of Independence Day the youth Chairperson went around forcing people to attend the celebrations. It was made compulsory for villagers to attend the celebrations in Makande. Villagers were discouraged from attending the celebration in Kariba Urban on the basis that they would be corrupted by MDC-T officials. Army trucks were deployed and ferried people mainly from rural areas to Makande where celebrations were held.
19 April	Right to	From the 1 st of April 2017, villagers from Hurungwe District, Mashuma Ward 17, under Chief Nyamhunga

	human dignity and personal security	were ordered to donate for independence celebrations by the District Chairperson of Mashuma district Morgan Masehwe. Each village was forced to pay a total amount of \$20 for the celebration but only 6 villages complied with the order. The Chairperson is alleged to have wanted to raise money to buy a cow but this failed. The Chairperson only managed to buy 4 goats and eight broilers that were shared among 17 villagers. Each member of the village was supposed to contribute 50c to take part in the activity.
24 April	Right to personal security	Two MDC factions are said to have destroyed each other's property in Alaska ward 14 Chinhoyi. The two factions had a misunderstanding on the nomination of a Councillor who will contest in the 2018 elections. The two MDC factions are being lead by Mai Mulochwa and Zifodya. It has emerged that one of the victims in the violence has been hospitalised and the condition of the victim was reported as critical.

Masvingo

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
16 April	Freedom of assembly and association Political rights	In Mafula Ward 13 of Mwenezi East, it was reported that meetings were called by the village heads, between the 14 th and the 17 th of April. These meetings were allegedly for purposes of discussing preparations for the Independence celebrations. The meetings which were compulsory for all the villagers in the ward were said to be part of the celebrations of the Zanu PF victory in the recent

		Mwenezi East by-election. During the meeting that was held on the 17 th , one war veteran by the name Tom is alleged to have asked the villagers that those who did not cast their votes in the by-election must state the reasons that made them not participate and after that they must disclose who they are going to vote for if they had participated in the voting process. He said this was being done in order for them to establish who is who in the ward.
18 April	Freedom of assembly and association	It was reported that Independence celebrations were held at Chivi Growth Point. At this ceremony it is reported that cases of intimidation and threats were recorded. It is alleged that in his opening remarks at the ceremony, Chief Madyangove threatened all opposition supporters saying that in the upcoming 2018 polls they will be in serious danger.
20 April	Freedom of assembly and association	It was reported that one Jibongo Chauke approached the victim Prisca Mamombe* who is known to be an MDC-T activist. Chauke who is a known Zanu PF supporter is said to have accused Mamombe of having deliberately ignored the directive to pay \$1 which was meant to be for the independence celebrations. Chauke is alleged to have threatened Mamombe with assault and further intimidated her by saying she was going to be dealt with during the upcoming 2018 election campaigns. Chauke is also alleged to have threatened other unidentified perceived opposition supporters who were nearby.

21 April	Freedom of assembly and association	It is reported that one Mutemachani who is a war veteran is said to have intimidated Aaron Mundau whom he accused him of carrying out MDC-T activities in ward 3 of Chiredzi North. Mutemachani is said to have told Mundau that he was watching him and come 2018 election he was going to pay dearly for carrying out those opposition party activities in ward 3. It is said that the victim and his family now live in fear and the case was not reported to the police as it was said the police would not take any action.
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Midlands

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
16 April	Freedom of assembly and association	It is reported that Shurugwi South ward 18 councillor identified as Kapeta called a meeting in a bid to force residents to contribute towards Independence celebrations. It was said that he first asked the attendees what they could afford to contribute towards these celebrations. Most indicated at least a dollar per family. He is alleged to have dismissed this suggestion and imposed that everyone above the age of 18 should contribute \$1. Despite residents trying to argue that there is a cash crisis in the country which makes money difficult to get, Kapeta was adamant that they should do as he had said. Those without money were told to contribute in form of either chicken or maize. A committee was setup which carried out a door-to-

		door collection of either money or the food (chicken and maize) as per the directive. Names of those who had contributed or did not were written down. The residents were also told that if one's name did not appear on the list of contributors this meant one was a sell out and was going to be dealt with accordingly.
18 April	Freedom of assembly and association Right to personal security Right to human dignity	Independence celebrations in Redcliff were held at Madimula Business Centre. It was also reported that just a stone throw away from the celebrations venue there was a football match, which drew much attention than the Independence celebrations. Upon realising this, one Zanu PF youth activist by the name Tinashe Mpandi then forced those who were watching a football match to join the independence celebrations gathering. One sector of the crowd complied as he threatened them with unspecified action and went on to say independence celebrations were far more important than a mere football match, but the other group refused and continued watching the football match. It was reported that at the celebrations Zanu PF slogans were chanted.
20 April	Political rights	It was reported that village heads in Gokwe were called for a meeting at Zumba on the 10 th of April and Tchoda on the 12 th of April by some group of suspected state agents who were masquerading as Zimbabwe Electoral Commission officials. It was alleged that the people who had called for the meeting instructed the village heads who attended to tell their people that they will only be allowed to cast their votes at specific polling stations which were going to be made known to the village heads by these unidentified people. They

		<p>further said that they should notify their people that no one should cast his/her vote at a polling station not specified by the village head. These people then later said that this was done to see which polling station would have voted for opposition parties. It was then discovered later that these people were not ZEC officials as they had said.</p>
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Matebeleland North

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
6 April	Freedom of assembly and association	<p>In Binga South constituency, it is alleged that the rural district council staff led by Benjamin Songoya, Amos Munsaka among others went to Lusulu Business Centre and employed 40 youths from Zanu PF for purposes of digging trenches and constructing a bridge 3-4km away along Chuuya road. It is said that the staff were instructed to employ Zanu PF youth only by Songoya and his accomplices. Part of those that were employed ended up registering their names to the responsible party officials as they feared exclusion from work. However, those who resisted any association with Zanu PF lost out.</p>

7 April	Freedom of assembly and association	It is reported that Tawanda Moyo accused Bigboy Munkuli and Fanuel Munkuli among others for being traitors by not supporting Zanu PF. Moyo is a Zanu PF supporter vying to be a councillor in ward 17 in the next elections hence it is said that, he demanded that everyone else to be part of the cell groups or risk being beaten by Zanu PF supporters. As if this was not enough, it is alleged that he directed village heads to monitor, report and frustrate any opposition party and individuals in ward 17.
unknown	Freedom of assembly and association Labour rights	At a meeting in Hwange East Constituency ward 10, Zanu PF member Alexander Mugoli Dube is alleged to have told people to register for employment at Zimbabwe Power Company (ZPC). On that same day he told those present to notify others of the employment opportunity. The next day, villagers came in numbers to register for employment at ZPC but it dawned on them that they were made to register to form Zanu PF cells. It is said that Alexander Mugoli Dube informed those present that it was a must for everyone seeking employment to belong to some Zanu PF cell.
24 April	Right to education	It is alleged that some grade 7 students of Dimpamiwa Primary School were denied their right to education by the headmaster identified as Mr. Christopher Khanye. The school had opened for holiday lessons as per the Ministerial' directive that those schools that had been disadvantaged by the just ended erratic rains should start lessons early. As such, students of Dimpamiwa had been invited to pay a sum of \$10 each as cash or payment plan. However, the headmaster prevented those who had not paid fees from attending school. He said 'You will only attend lessons if you have paid our \$10. Until then do not come, stay at home.'

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Matebeleland South

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
8 April	Freedom of assembly and association	In Gwanda North Constituency, Ward 3 Zanu PF member Sister Bhebhe, is reported to have threatened terror and violence to every woman who had attended a food handout meeting organized by Women Development Association in Zimbabwe. In her speech, it is said that she made it clear that, 'every village lady' allied to the organization was going to be removed from the list of government food aid beneficiaries'. In that same Zanu PF meeting, a list of those who had attended the meeting was drawn and their names were struck off the welfare list of beneficiaries.
11 April	Freedom of assembly and association	After an extra-ordinary Zanu PF District meeting, it is reported that Chief Mathuphula ordered his village heads to collect independence contributions which were pegged at \$1 and 2kg of maize per household. One of the most influential figures who harassed villagers in view of collecting money was a man identified as headman Mcetshwa.

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FOOD AND OTHER AID VIOLATIONS

Summary of Food Violations by Province



Province	Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
Bulawayo	14 April	Right to Food	<p>In Luveve Constituency, Ward 15 Zanu PF member Felix Chindori Mpfu is reported to have denied food handouts to many households who were known to be vulnerable. In addition, those who were denied food handouts got replaced by individuals suspected to be card carrying members of the ruling party. It is alleged that he argued that, the food distribution was purposely done on a holiday so as to exclude some 'unruly' individuals from the opposition.</p>

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Mashonaland Central	7 April	Right to Food	There was partisan food distribution reported in Mazowe District at Rujeko Shopping Centre Glendale Ward 33. It is alleged that Zanu PF Councillor Mitchell Kasere manipulated the food for work program to benefit the majority of ruling party members. Reports highlight that Stephen Marato was denied his maize allocation on allegations that he was an MDC-T activist.
	18 April	Right to Food Freedom of assembly and association	It is reported that there was partisan distribution of food in Mazowe District at Tsungubvi Hall ward 17 after the Independence Day commemorations at Tsungubvi Stadium. It is alleged that Zanu PF branch chairperson Jonathan Kudangiranwa and deputy chairperson Osten Kavimba had a list of beneficiaries which matched the ruling party members who benefited. Reports are that Peter Chitimbe was denied his allocation on allegations of being an MDC-T activist.

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Mashonaland East	9 April	Right to Food	In early April in Mudzi South at Donzwe Centre ward 12, seven social welfare beneficiaries were denied food aid. It is alleged that Tinei Mayibheki a Social Welfare Youth Officer took 7 bags of maize at Donzwe food distribution point. Mayibheki is a Zanu PF youth Officer responsible for the social welfare peak hunger food relief. He then told the victims to approach the GMB for assistance. It is alleged that all the Youth Officers are Zanu PF members and have politicised food distributions in Mudzi South.

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Mashonaland	3 April	Right to	In Mashonaland West, Zvimba, wards 2, 8, 9 there were no food distributions since

West		Food	<p>the month of March. The Counsellor John Chinake has been promising the villagers that once transport has been arranged maize will be brought to the centres for distribution. Allegations are that beneficiaries may have been duped by the Councillor who has used the money collected for transport for his personal use. The main groups who were to receive food aid were the elderly, disabled and the food for work (FFW) group. The food for work group has been cutting grass, at Kawondera Primary School premises, maintaining the road from Kawondera Primary School to Kawondera Secondary School yet nothing has been given. The Counsellor has already collected \$1.25 from every individual who is listed to benefit from the programme.</p>
	4 April	Right to Food	<p>Residents of the 15 wards in Chinhoyi were asked by Zanu Officials managing the government free food distribution exercise to bring brand new Heusen sacks (saga), which the victims claim costs \$2. In addition they were told to pay \$2 for transportation of the grain to the food distribution point. It was noted that many vulnerable and needy beneficiaries could not access the grain due to the fact that they did not have the money demanded by the distributing political Officials. It is suspected the food distribution officers wanted to pocket the money. The most food insecure groups are the elderly, orphans and vulnerable children and widows, unemployed youths and lastly pensioners who are getting their pension late. Many vulnerable households were denied the food relief items during the peak hunger period because</p>

			they could not secure the \$4.
	14 April	Right to Food Freedom of conscience	There was a distribution of maize at Mashuma Business Centre. The maize was handed over to the needy by ward 17 Councillor Mr Methew Runi but people are complaining of being charged \$2 per 50kg bag a dollar up from the usual transport cost. It is alleged that Transport used to be \$1 from Magunje depot. A victim said 'We used to pay \$1 for one bag of maize but the cost has gone up. Those in charge claim that the maize is coming from Bvuti near Kariba when it is coming from Magunje 20km away.'

Province	Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
Matabeleland North	12 April	Right to food	In Tsholotsho South Constituency, Ward 22 Councilor Phumuza Ziga Dube, is reported to have denied five villagers their monthly food handouts. It is reported that the Department of Social Welfare had availed 50bags of maize for distribution in view that the invited villagers would share the bags equally in groups of two's or three's depending on their number. It is said that Dube took a lion's share by keeping a number of bags for himself and ultimately dismissed five individuals who bore the pain of returning to their homes without food.

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ANNEXURE 1. DEFINITIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS.

TERM	DEFINITION
MURDER	Unlawful and intentional killing of another person
SEXUAL ASSAULT:	It is knowingly causing another person to engage in an unwanted sexual act by force or threat.
A) RAPE	
B) AGGRAVATED SEXUAL ASSAULT	INDECENT Is whereby a male person has sexual intercourse or anal intercourse with female person without the consent of the latter Is whereby a person including a female commits a sexual act involving the penetration of any part of the victim's body, other than a male person having sexual intercourse or anal intercourse with a female person, without the consent of the victim, including active and passive oral sex and anal sex between two individuals of any gender.
ASSAULT	Is whereby a person commits an assault upon another person intending to cause that other person bodily harm.
A) FALANGA (FOOT WHIPPING)	Is a form of corporal punishment whereby the soles of the feet are beaten with an object such as a cane, or rod, a piece of wood or a whip? The victim may be immobilized before the application of the beating by tying, securing the feet in leg irons, locking the legs into

an elevated position or hanging upside down.

B) SUBMERSION/SUFFOCATION
(WATER BOARDING)

C) BEATING

A form of assault whereby water is forced into the victim's breathing passages so as to simulate drowning.

D) OTHER ASSAULT

Is any form of physical assault including hitting of a person with or without an object such as a stick, belt, whip, barbed wire, log or any other object including bare hands. It also includes the kicking or head-butting of a person; and includes stabbing, shooting and forced consumption (forcing a person or overeat or eat something poisonous or their own excreta.)

TORTURE

Any act by which severe pain or suffering, whether physical or mental, is intentionally inflicted on a person by or instigation of public official or other person acting in an official capacity for purposes of obtaining from the victim or a third person information or a confession, punishing him/her for an act s/he or a third person has committed or is suspected of having committed, or intimidating or coercing him/her or a third person, or for any reason based on discrimination of any kind

THREAT

It is whereby a person threatens to commit a crime, including but not limited to murder,

rape, aggravated indecent assault, unlawful detention, theft, malicious damage to property thereby inspiring in the person on whom she/he communicates the threat of a reasonable fear or belief that he or she will commit the crime.

HARASSMENT/INTIMIDATION

Unlawfully subjecting one to pressure, insult of threat with intent to cause him/her to suffer anxiety discomfort and/or the feeling of insecurity.

MOVEMENT VIOLATIONS

KIDNAPPING/UNLAWFUL DETENTION

Is whereby a person deprives another person of his freedom of bodily movement without lawful justification and/or authority (based on section 93 of the Criminal code Act)

A) ABDUCTION

B) UNLAWFUL ARREST

The taking away of a person using intimidation, open force of violence

Is the arrest of a person by another person (usually a police officer), whereby the latter's position generally authorizes him/her to arrest the other person, but not in this particular case. Essentially, it is a form of abuse of power on the part of the police officer

C) UNLAWFUL DETENTION

Depriving a person of his or her freedom of bodily movement without lawful justification and/or authority.

D) FORCED DISPLACEMENT

Internal displacement of persons or groups of persons "...who have been forced or obliged to flee or leave their homes or places or habitual residence, in particular as a result of or in order to avoid the effects of armed conflict, situations of generalized violence, violations of human rights or natural or human made disasters, and who have not crossed an internally recognized border"

PROPERTY RIGHTS

THEFT	Is whereby a person takes property from another person "knowing" that the other person is entitled to own, possess or control this very property.
ROBBERY	Is whereby a person steals, borrows or uses the property of another person without authority, thereby intentionally using violence or the threat of immediate violence to induce the person who has lawful control over the property to relinquish his/her control over it.
STOCK THEFT	Is whereby a person takes livestock from another person knowing that the other person is entitled to own, and possess or control this very property.
MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	Is whereby a person knowing that the other person is entitled to own, possess or control any property, damages or destroys that very property (Note: MDP to communal/household property should only be chosen for one family member: the victim

or head of household in that order)

A) DESTRUCTION OF HOME

B) OTHER TYPES OF MDP

Is a form of malicious damage to property, it occurs when a home is burnt to the ground or otherwise made inhabitable in such a manner as the only option toward the making the home habitable is to completely rebuild it.

Please describe briefly the alleged conduct

ZIMBABWE PEACE PROJECT BACKGROUND INFORMATION

ZPP was founded in 2000 by a group of faith based and human rights NGOs working and interested in human rights and peace-building initiatives. The organisation has become a vehicle for civic interventions in times of political crises. In particular, ZPP seeks to monitor and document incidents of human rights violations and breaches of peace.

Today, ZPP's co-operating member organizations include, Zimbabwe Council of Churches (ZCC), Catholic Commission for Justice & Peace in Zimbabwe (CCJPZ), Evangelical fellowship of Zimbabwe (EFZ) Zimbabwe Election Support Network (ZESN), Counselling Services Unit (CSU), Zimbabwe Civic Education Trust (ZIMCET), Zimbabwe Lawyers for Human Rights (ZLHR), Zimbabwe Human Rights Association (ZIMRIGHTS), Civic Education Network Trust (CIVNET), Women's Coalition of Zimbabwe (WCoZ) and Habakkuk Trust.

VISION

A Zimbabwe where there is Peace, Justice, Dignity and Development for all.

MISSION

To work for sustainable peace through monitoring, documentation, advocacy and community peace building interventions with our members and partners

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