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Zimbabwe Peace Project

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The senate elections penned for November 26 have attracted much attention and predictably, have led to clashes between traditional political rivals, the Zimbabwe African National Union (Patriotic Front) (Zanu PF) and the Movement for Democratic Change (MDC).

Human rights violations induced by the forthcoming elections have mainly been perpetrated in the form of physical assaults, harassment and intimidations. Since the enactment of the Constitutional amendment number 17, which saw the reincarnation of the

once-abandoned senate of the early '80s, there have been little calls by the political leadership for party supporters to be peaceful and tolerant when approaching the senate polls.

Reported cases indicate a significant increase in some provinces, particularly in the southern region of Zimbabwe, of cases of violence associated with the forthcoming Upper House elections.

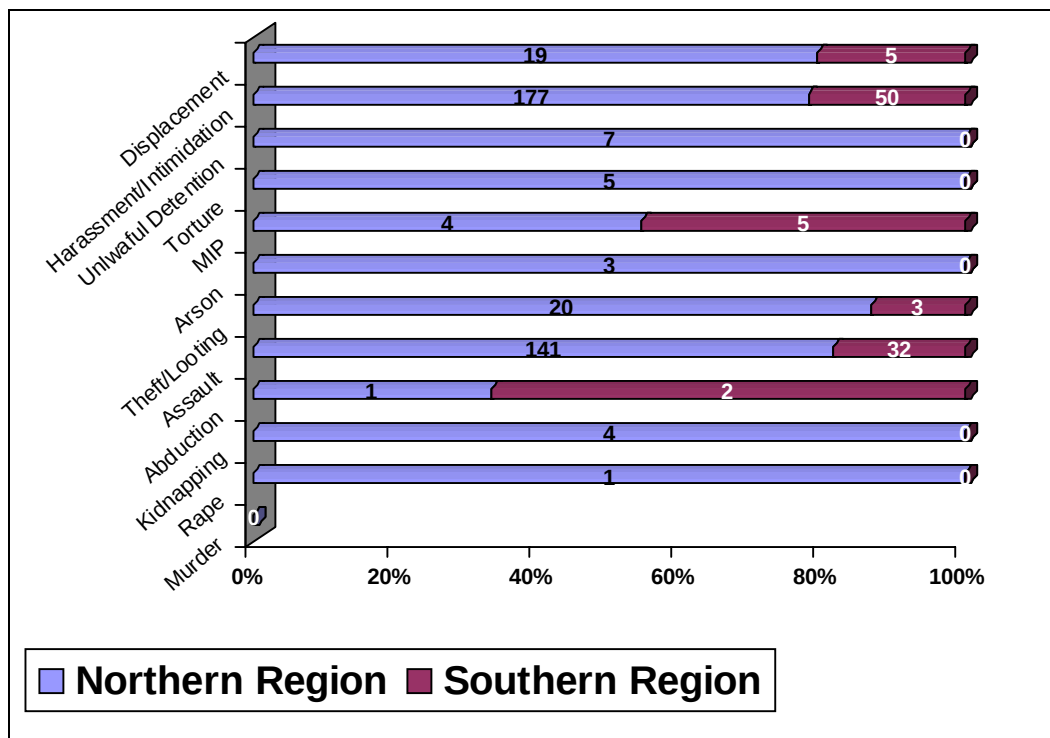
In **Gwanda North** constituency in **Matabeleland South**, for example on 1 September, Zanu PF supporters led by J reportedly clashed with MDC

activists at Sofa business centre over the holding of senate elections leading to five people being injured and hospitalised. It is said the police arrested and briefly interrogated the perpetrators, mostly Zanu PF before releasing them.

On 15 September in the same constituency, it was reported that a group of Zanu PF supporters disrupted an MDC senate elections preparatory meeting at Kozi business centre leading to five MDC supporters being injured in the clashes that followed. The five are

Figure 1: Comparison chart showing the human rights violation cases received from the Northern and Southern regions during the month of September 2005.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

CZ, MD, VS, MM and DM.

In **Bulawayo's Pumula-Luveve** constituency on 12 September, suspected Zanu PF supporters, in an act of political narrow-mindedness, reportedly threatened to assault SS at Pumula shopping centre after accusing him of fanning anti-senate protests and distributing 'dangerous' literature which turned out to be NCA material.

In the **Midlands** province, there were also reports of senate elections-related human rights violations. In **Mkoba** for example on 9 September, it is alleged that two Zanu PF youths assaulted GC after he had commented against the setting up of the senate. The alleged assailants, it is claimed proceeded to make death threats against the said victim.

Ruling party supporters have been named as the leading perpetrators of human rights abuses related to the holding of the November elections. It was reported on September 10 in **Kwekwe** that groups of Zanu PF youths went on a house-to-house campaign forcing residents to 'celebrate' the enactment of the

Constitutional Amendment Act (number 17).

On a different note, there have been quite disconcerting reports from **Manicaland** that church leaders are victimising people on political grounds. In what is perhaps a bizarre case in Guta village (Nyadowa area) in Nyanga on 3 September, an Apostolic Church elder WK reportedly threatened KG and other church faithful with excommunication from the church if they refused to join the ruling party.

Despite the government's efforts to halt violent farm invasions, **Chipinge North** is one extremely volatile constituency where violent farm invasions, perhaps inspired by the 17th Constitutional revision, have increased.

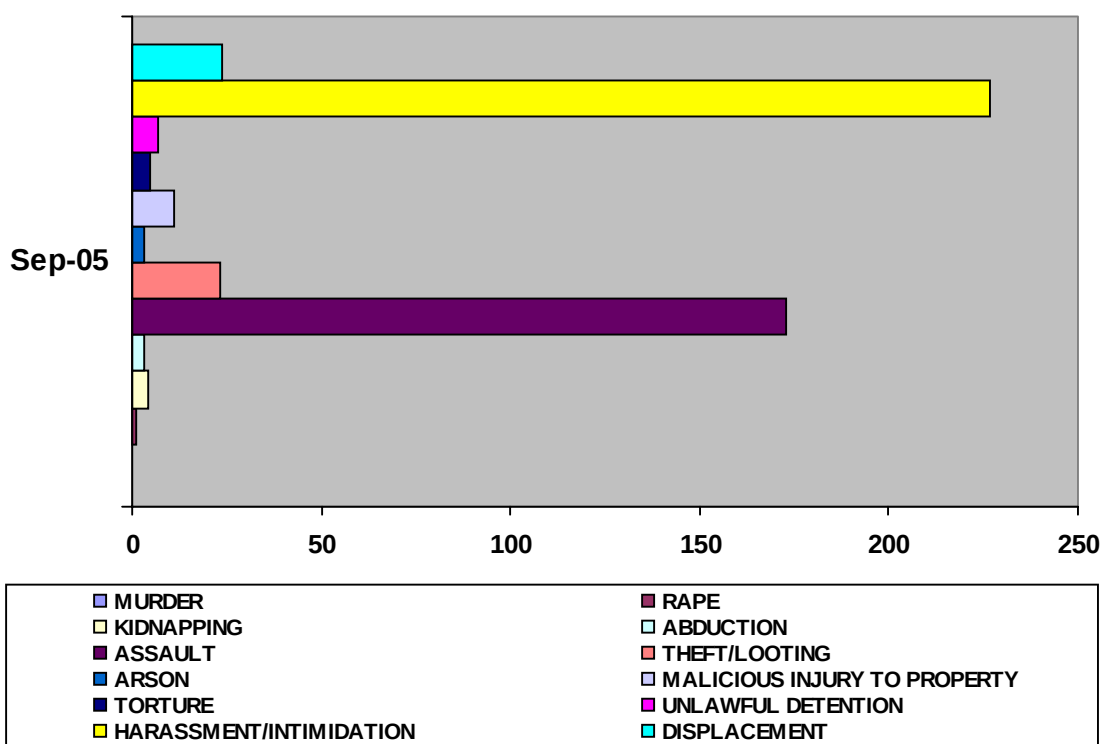
Documents to hand reveal that at least three farms, namely Ashanti, Brackenridge and Sweet Acres farms have been invaded by war veterans and Zanu PF youths led by one JC, a local Central Intelligence Organisation (CIO) operative who has declared his interests to illegally occupy Brackenridge farm.

DWD, a white commercial farmer of Canadian extract who owns

Brackenridge farm and AW, a white farmer and the former's farm manager were allegedly assaulted by Zanu PF youths in the presence of JM, the intelligence operative on September 20 before JM fired shots just above the said victims' heads. Investigations by the ZPP have it that the alleged invaders have been warned by officials from the District Administrator's office against invading Ashanti farm, in which former University of Zimbabwe Vice-Chancellor, Professor Graham Hill is said to be a shareholder.

The ZPP strongly urges political leaders to reign in their supporters in order that peace and tolerance be preserved and upheld. We also urge the same leaders and state arms like the police and CIO to respect standing court orders barring them from engaging in illegal activities like farm invasions, assaults, harassments and intimidations.

Figure 2: Graph showing numbers of different incidents of human rights violations recorded for the month of September 2005.



METHODOLOGY

This report is based on reports from ZPP long-term community based primary peace monitors who observe, monitor and record cases of human rights violations in the constituencies they reside. ZPP deploys a total of 240 community-based primary peace monitors (two per each 120

electoral constituencies of Zimbabwe). These monitors reside in the constituencies they monitor. The monitors compile reports that are handed over to ZPP provincial coordinators who lead ZPP offices in the ten administrative provinces of Zimbabwe. After receiving and

verifying reports from the monitors, the provincial coordinators compile provincial monthly monitoring reports that are used to come up with this report-the ZPP monthly monitoring report.

NORTHERN REGION

Harare Metropolitan

Dzivarasekwa

6 September 2005

TN, an MDC youth was reportedly harassed and given a one month eviction notice by her landlord D, a female Zanu PF supporter in Tynwald for supporting the opposition party.

11 September 2005

In Warren Park D, PT, a ruling party supporter was reportedly harassed by two MDC youths AS and GN.

Also in the same residential area, it was reported that JG was harassed and assaulted by two Zanu PF youths, PZ and TK after they found him wearing an MDC t-shirt.

15 September 2005

K, an MDC youth was allegedly assaulted by three Zanu PF youths, ER, NN, and BM for putting up MDC campaign flyers.

18 September 2005

In Tynwald, two MDC youths, BC and TM were allegedly assaulted by two Zanu PF youths for distributing MDC position papers.

22 September 2005

Two MDC youths, TC and KM were allegedly assaulted by three Zanu PF youths, A, T and S in Dzivarasekwa.

Glen Norah

1 September 2005

At Machipisa bus terminus FN, an MDC activist was reportedly harassed and assaulted by L, of the ruling party for wearing an MDC t-shirt.

23 September 2005

At Highfield High School, an MDC supporter ID was allegedly assaulted and had goods worth around \$5 million confiscated by C, a Police Officer after he was found in possession of a red card associated with the MDC.

26 September 2005

In Egypt lines KK, an MDC youth was reportedly harassed by two suspected Zanu PF youths for wearing an MDC t-shirt and cap.

27 September 2005

Three MDC youths were allegedly harassed and unlawfully detained by five Zanu PF youths after they fought running battles for venues to hold party meetings.

Glen View

1 September 2005

Unconfirmed reports have it that at Chitubu shops EM reportedly lost goods worth around nine hundred thousand dollars to unidentified police details who accused the victim of supporting the MDC.

7 September 2005

At Chitubu crèche MM was allegedly assaulted by four Zanu PF militias who accused him of supporting the MDC.

9 September 2005

It is alleged that SS was allegedly assaulted and had goods confiscated by two unidentified policemen and three Zanu PF militias after they accused him of being an MDC activist in Glen view 7.

17 September 2005

At Chitubu bar AC was allegedly assaulted by five Zanu PF youths for commenting against the recent constitutional amendment.

Harare North

2 September 2005

In Hatcliff extension S, an MDC youth was allegedly assaulted by J, a Zanu PF youth for wearing an MDC t-shirt.

10 September 2005

In Hatcliff extension T Zanu PF youth was allegedly assaulted by AM, an MDC youth after he was heard asking for Zanu PF membership cards.

12 September 2005

Along Elizabeth Windsor road BC, a Zanu PF youth was allegedly assaulted by AG of the MDC for wearing a Zanu PF t-shirt.

Highfield

4 September 2005

NORTHERN REGION

It is alleged that an unidentified policeman assaulted RG, an MDC youth at Machipisa service station for chanting MDC slogans.

10 September 2005

It was reported that five MDC youths were assaulted in New Canaan by two Zanu PF youths M and S after they were heard discussing their intentions to renew their party membership.

17 September 2005

In Old Canaan G was allegedly displaced by her landlord M, a Zanu PF supporter who accused her of supporting the MDC.

18 September 2005

It was reported at Gazaland shops that T was harassed by G, a Zanu PF supporter who also barred the victim from opening the shop he was renting after he (victim) refused to attend a Zanu PF meeting.

Kuwadzana

4 September 2005

In Kuwadzana 4 PM of the MDC was allegedly assaulted by JC, a Zanu PF who accused the victim of supporting the MDC.

10 September 2005

At Kuwadzana 4 shops MC, a Zanu PF supporter was allegedly assaulted by fellow party supporters MC and LC who accused him of abusing party funds.

Mufakose

24 September 2005

It was reported that TM, a Zanu PF supporter was assaulted at Front Page bottle store by VM, a fellow party supporter who claimed the victim was boycotting party meetings.

St. Mary's

2 September 2005

At Huruyadzo Hall it is alleged that twenty MDC women who were having their meeting were disrupted by five Zanu PF youths led by S.

22 September 2005

TC was allegedly assaulted at Hunyani beer hall by six ZTC suspected MDC

youth was allegedly assaulted by six Zanu PF youths accused of having torn Zanu PF posters.

26 September 2005

At St. Mary's N and two Red Cross officials were reportedly harassed by a group of Zanu youths who accused them of distributing food relief to MDC supporters.

Zengeza

15 September 2005

In an act of political intolerance in Zengeza 3 a youth was allegedly assaulted by seven MDC youths who accused the victim of supporting the ruling party. This was after the victim had requested to join the youths in a meeting.

18 September 2005

In Dhumukwa Street (Zengeza 4) it was reported that a group of MDC youths harassed M, a garb

Mashonaland East

Goromonzi

4 September 2005

In Macheke village FN, an MDC supporter was reportedly harassed by two ruling party supporters JG and OM after refusing to be forced to join Zanu PF.

10 September 2005

It was reported at St. Francis Secondary School that Chief Chikwaka and the District Administrator told villagers that MDC supporters would not receive any government assistance.

20 September 2005

Again at St. Francis secondary CM, a Zanu PF supporter was allegedly assaulted by fellow party supporters led by SC and TN after they failed to agree on who stood a better chance to represent the party in the forthcoming council elections.

Marondera East

27 August 2005

Near Marirangwe School GM, an MDC youth was allegedly tortured and unlawfully detained by four Zanu PF supporters led by a Zanu PF councillor S after they accused the said victim of supporting the MDC,

10 September 2005

In Marondera town PC and family were allegedly harassed and displaced by two unidentified Zanu PF youths led by M for selling MDC membership cards.

14 September 2005

It was reported that three Zanu PF youths led by Councillor M harassed and unlawfully detained JC who had refused to be forced to attend ruling party meetings.

16 September 2005

At Southlow farm CC, an MDC supporter was, together with his family, reportedly harassed and displaced by three Zanu PF youths led by a war veteran KK, while on the same day at Bemba farm, C, the farm owner (a white commercial farmer) was allegedly displaced by ruling party youths led by a Zanu PF councillor J before they made off with property belonging to the said victim.

Mudzi East

3 September 2005

JG, a Zanu PF youth was reportedly harassed by M, a war veteran after he was nabbed defacing a campaign poster of Nyembezi Muchena, the Mutoko South MP.

17 September 2005

D, a Zanu PF supporter was allegedly assaulted at Ganyambadze by three MDC supporters T, MM and KF for attempting to disrupt an MDC meeting.

20 September 2005

Three unidentified people were reportedly barred from attending a

NORTHERN REGION

relative's funeral in Nyamuwanga by seven Zanu PF youths led by BK who accused them of supporting the MDC since they had come from Harare.

said victim to join the ruling party. The case was yet to be reported to the police by the time of reporting this incident.

2 September 2005

6 September 2005
It was reported that at Matenha shops RM was assaulted by TM, a Zanu PF youth who he accused of supporting the MDC because he allegedly killed by AM during the run up to the recent general elections, has taken to investigating the matter alone after the local police allegedly refused to investigate the alleged murder.

8 September 2005
At Dandara shops GN, a known MDC activist was reportedly harassed and barred from accessing AS a lecturer at Chibero College (ward 6) food relief by M, a ward co-ordinator.

10 September 2005
After he (AS) reportedly denigrated the second Vice President, Joyce Mujuru.

At Duku shops TM, an MDC youth was allegedly assaulted by KM Zanu PF youth over disagreements on the 'clean-up' operation.

3 September 2005
It was reported that TT was evicted by M, from the latter's house after he was accused of supporting the MDC. Two teachers, EH and FD were reportedly harassed and assaulted in Mupangira Village by YK, a Zanu PF youth who accused them C, a Zanu PF supporter reportedly harassed TP who he accused of not attending Zanu PF meetings and rallies, at Ngoni shopping centre (ward 11).

17 September 2005
At Zarambika School IM, an MDC youth was allegedly assaulted by In an act of intolerance, three Zanu PF activists, CD, CN and D reportedly harassed three MDC supporters PJ, TM and F (female) after 'advising' the trio that it was 'illegal' for MDC supporters to live in Zanu PF strongholds.

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A Zanu PF councillor for ward 30, F and a Zanu PF ward co-ordinator M after being accused of supporting the MDC.

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15 September 2005

Sanyati
ME was reportedly harassed by two Zanu PF supporters at Karumazondo shops after being accused of getting employed as a temporary teacher without going through militia training in Murewa village (ward 23), it was reported that C (60) of the MDC was harassed and intimidated by two well known Zanu PF activists M and MV who were threatening more than 200 families in the village with withdrawal of food relief for their perceived support of the MDC.

At Broomfield SM, an MDC supporter was allegedly assaulted by NC, a Zanu PF youth for denouncing the ruling party.

23 September 2005
5 September 2005
It was reported in Sanyati Growth Point (ward 24) that Zanu PF's M and C harassed an MDC supporter M after allegedly assaulted by two Zanu PF supporters, MC and TB for wearing an MDC shirt. The victim was barred from buying maize at the GMB as a result.

18 September 2005
It was reported that Zanu PF's Sanyati MP, Wuyarayi Ziyambi and a ruling supporter identified as M harassed the MDC's MR (61) who they 'advised' should denounce the MDC first in order to buy grain from the GMB.

KC, an MDC activist was reportedly harassed by two Zanu PF activists for addressing an MDC meeting in Banana Groves.

28 September 2005

It is reported that a woman M was summoned by Chief Seké to a hearing on which she was charged with the crime of not attending the by-elections. In this village where by-elections were held throughout the country, MDC was reportedly harassed by a Zanu PF youth who threatened him with a gun. The Zanu PF youth was also reported to have been harassing him from the headline newsstand through supporting the MDC.

Uzumba Maramba Pfungwe
8 September 2005
1 September 2005
PP of the ruling party reportedly harassed three MDC supporters at Karise shops in Maramba Pfungwe (ward 13).

3 September 2005
Mt Darwin South
Again at Katiyo shops BN, an MDC youth was allegedly harassed by GK of the ruling party for supporting the opposition party.

It was reported that N and K of the ruling party harassed EC of Zongororo village (ward 14) after the said victim, who the duo accused of supporting the MDC, procured GMB maize.

12 September 2005

LC a temporary teacher at Chipfunde School was allegedly chased away from the school by suspected Zanu PF supporters who accused her of supporting the MDC.

It is alleged that in Katiyo, BM, an MDC youth was barred from taking up a temporary teacher's position at the local school by NK, a Zanu PF supporter who accused him of supporting the opposition party.

ES of the MDC in Kamutsenzere village (ward 3) claiming the said village was a 'clean-up' area. Zanu PF supporters only from the GMBhoyi

7 September 2005
It was reported that a Zanu PF supporter who was reportedly harassed by two Zanu PF supporters, MC and TB for wearing an MDC shirt. The victim was barred from buying maize at the GMB as a result.

Two women of an unclear political affiliation were reportedly harassed and assaulted by two Zanu PF activists, MC and TB for wearing an MDC shirt. The victim was barred from buying maize at the GMB as a result.

21 September 2005
Councillor FM reportedly harassed two MDC supporters CN and T in a village where by-elections were held throughout the country. The Zanu PF youth was also reported to have been harassing him from the headline newsstand through supporting the MDC.

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26 September 2005

Also in an act of intolerance in Rusambo village (ward 7), LC of Zanu PF reportedly harassed CN who he accused of listening to Studio 7, a radio station based in the US which he viewed as aligned to the MDC.

27 September 2005

It was reported that BK of the ruling party harassed TG of the MDC for wearing his party's t-shirt, an act the said perpetrator regarded as criminal.

Manicaland

Buhera North

7 September 2005

TC, who was displaced by the 'clean up' campaign, was reportedly forced to leave Chigware village by Zanu PF activists led by Chief Chimombe who threatened to strip the victim's father, a headman, of his powers if the son, accused of supporting the MDC, stayed in the village.

At Madya business centre, two MDC youths KC and PZ were reportedly assaulted severely by a group of Zanu PF youths led by JM, OM and SM who accused them of 'selling out'.

12 September 2005

The Hande School head, C was allegedly assaulted by a group of suspected Zanu PF youths who accused him of accommodating three teachers they suspected to be members of the opposition.

13 September 2005

MDC activists led by C the district chairman, reportedly threatened with eviction, two Zanu PF supporters C and M in Chapwanya village for engaging in Zanu PF activities in an area the perpetrators claimed was an MDC territory.

15 September 2005

N from Bonde village was reportedly barred from buying GMB maize by kraal head B on allegations of supporting the opposition MDC.

17 September 2005

It was reported that LM a Zanu PF youth organizing secretary in Chivhako village (ward 12) was harassed by fellow party supporters led by D, the district youth chairperson after being accuse of sympathising with MDC supporters. This was after the victim had assisted the MDC supporters in accessing the scarce maize from the GMB.

A GMB official C reportedly announced that all known or suspected MDC members from Machacha village and surrounding areas were to buy maize at double the stipulated price or not at all as punishment for supporting the opposition party.

19 September 2005

Zanu PF activists in Chawatama village allegedly kidnapped Mrs C and her son WC during the night and took them into the bush where they stripped them naked and assaulted them for supporting the MDC. They latter gave them Zanu PF T shirts to wear and threatened them with further punishment if they removed the T shirts.

21 September 2005

Suspected MDC youths allegedly kidnapped N a teacher at St Bernard school and assaulted him for supporting Zanu PF.

K, a war veteran and Zanu PF activist who owns Kitsiyatota bottle store reportedly barred AT and LN from entering his bottle store on grounds that victims came from Harare and therefore was MDC.

Buhera South

15 September 2005

Zanu PF activists M and K allegedly kidnapped and seriously assaulted EM of the MDC after the victim refused to become the chief's aide in Chapanduka village.

17 September 2005

War veterans M and M of Chapanduka village reportedly assaulted AM for supporting Zanu Ndonga.

At Begedhe village, ET of the MDC was reportedly kidnapped and assaulted by Zanu PF activists TM and a group of

others who accused the victim of disrespecting the local Zanu PF leadership and headman.

Chipingwe North

16 September 2005

Zanu PF activists led by WM and DM reportedly invaded Brackenridge farm owned by GM. The victims it is said were forced off the farm.

17 September 2005

Zanu PF activists WM, DM and BM allegedly went to Brackeridge farm and stole farm equipment including a tractor which is now parked at WM's house in Chipingwe.

Headman M from Grassflats farm was reportedly assaulted by suspected Zanu PF youths after they were told to vacate the plots which they had been allocated by the headman by officers from the District Administrator.

20 September 2005

Zanu PF activists led by the CIO district head JM allegedly assaulted WD and two unnamed workers at Lilisvlei farm before threatening the victims with eviction from the farm.

21 September 2005

Zanu PF activists led by BM, M, DM and others allegedly evicted farm workers JM, LS, TM and NM from Breckenridge farm after they invaded the farm and looted farm equipment.

Chipingwe South

2 September 2005

Headman M was reportedly assaulted by a group of violent villagers after he distributed donated maize which some of the villagers suspected to have come from the MDC.

15 September 2005

Two members of the Zimbabwe Prison Services (ZPS) LS and H were allegedly tortured at Chipingwe prison by fellow prison officers M,M,M and S after they were overheard complaining that the Government had failed to manage the country.

17 September 2005

Police details aided by war veterans allegedly stormed a funeral procession of a deceased MDC activists in Mabhiza village and ordered the mourners to sing religious hymns instead of the political songs they were singing.

19 September 2005

At Kondo business centre, Zanu PF activists SD, VR and two others reportedly assaulted an NCA activist FM after they saw him carrying a file written "NCA All Stakeholders Conference"

Makoni East

6 September 2005

At Nyamande village DK (F) was barred from receiving some food handouts that was being distributed by an unnamed NGO after being labelled an MDC activist by PK.

12 September 2005

DM of Zanu PF reportedly removed NC from a list of villagers who were set to benefit from the GMB maize after accusing her of supporting the MDC.

Makoni North

5 September 2005

MDC and Zanu PF supporters reportedly fought running battles over disagreements on the senate elections penned for late November.

6 September 2005

An unnamed school headmaster at Chendambuya school allegedly denied PJ (11 years) enrolment for a grade six place at the school because his father is a member of the MDC.

11 September 2005

At Maswera farm JT and other Zanu PF officials allegedly illegally arrested CM of the MDC who had shouted "*chibage hachisi chaMugabe*" (the maize does not belong to [President] Mugabe) after he was denied access to maize being sold because he did not have a Zanu

PF membership card. It was said the victim was held at Rusape police station facing charges of 'insulting the head of state'.

14 September 2005

Headman M from Domborembizi allegedly threatened GM and other MDC members in the area with expulsion if they continued participating in opposition activities.

17 September 2005

MDC members in Nemaire village led by KM allegedly forced a teacher RM to transfer from Nemaire School for supporting Zanu PF.

PC a member of the MDC was allegedly assaulted by a group of members of the ZRP in plain clothes for calling operation *Murambatsvina* "operation *murambawanhu*" (Operation 'no to people') at Epiphany farm.

19 September 2005

An unnamed male nurse at Weya district hospital in Chiendambuya allegedly refused to treat a woman TB patient BN for failing to produce a Zanu PF card.

24 September 2005

MP a Zanu PF cadre was reportedly tortured by fellow Zanu PF activists FM and PT for saying "*Mugabe haachazivi zvaari kuita*" (President Mugabe no longer knows what he is doing) at Baddeley farm. Victim was commenting on the steep rise in the cost of living.

Makoni West

3 September 2005

Zanu PF activists CS,TK,MJ,SZ allegedly assaulted MDC activists TK and VR at Chitenderano business centre.

23 September 2005

LF and CM of Zanu PF allegedly harassed RM at a village meeting held at Rugoyi rest camp. Victim was accused of having undermined the councillor's authority.

23 September 2005

MDC activists AM and SG were allegedly assaulted and threatened with expulsion from Tsanzaguru township by Zanu PF activists LM,PM and SF for participating in MDC activities.

26 September 2005

JM, FG and MC of Zanu PF reportedly set on fire a house belonging to J and S B in a bid to prevent victims from enjoying maize they had bought from the GMB since members of the opposition are not allowed by political authorities (Zanu PF) to access the maize.

Mutare Central

30 September 2005

It is alleged that a group of three prison officers assaulted BP who they accused of being an MDC member as he made his way home from Muunze bottle store.

Mutare North

30 August 2005

It is alleged that Zanu PF youth militias led by C and T abducted KM and took her to Dangamvura where they assaulted and sexually violated her. The victim is said to have sustained a fractured hip bone and left leg.

10 September 2005

FA of Chimoio flats was reportedly forcibly evicted from his dwelling by CG and M of Zanu PF because of his support for the MDC

11 September 2005

In the Chineta and Tendere sections of Sakubva, army and police details reportedly went on an arbitrary search campaign without search warrants for basic commodities they suspected were stashed in homes.

22 September 2005

Engineer Munacho Mutezo, the infrastructure development minister reportedly threatened R and his family with eviction if they refused to attend a traditional *bira*.

Mutare South

2 September 2005

Scores of MDC activists in Zimunya township were reportedly denied access to buy maize at Zimunya crèche by a group of Zanu PF activists led by G, and GS.

7 September 2005

A Zanu PF Councilor CT of ward 15 and PN reportedly barred TM and EM from buying maize at Chishakwe primary school on allegations that they (victims) belonged to the MDC.

14 September 2005

It is alleged that AS, a member of the Zanu PF women's league was excommunicated from the ruling party and had her name struck off the GMB maize beneficiaries list for having a son who supports the MDC.

Mutare West

6 September 2005

Headman KF of Musharu village reportedly severely assaulted TM, an MDC youth TM for engaging his daughter in a relationship. The headman, it is said, claimed the relationship would undermine his position as a traditional leader.

17 September 2005

Police details reportedly assaulted about 30 villagers who had 'illegally' gathered at Gondo growth point to share maize procured from the GMB as a community.

Mutasa North

1 September 2005

At Ruchera PM of the MDC was severely assaulted and had his arm broken by Zanu PF activists after he failed to chant a Zanu PF slogan.

4 September 2005

JC of plot 10 Nyamazi was allegedly forcibly evicted from her plot by two Zanu PF supporters PM and DG who accused her of having participated in the March elections as an MDC campaign strategist.

7 September 2005

It is claimed that Manyho home-based care programme committee members were relieved of their duties and were 'fined' \$100 000 each by the Zanu PF councillor M (ward 7) and Chief S after they were accused of supporting the MDC.

Mutasa South

2 September 2005

CC was reportedly barred from buying maize in Saruwaka village by Zanu PF supporters who accused him of failing to attend Zanu PF meetings.

4 September 2005

At Berthania Primary School, 18 supposed MDC supporters were reportedly barred from buying maize by MD and K of Zanu PF, who, it is alleged went on to divert some of the grain and sold it at inflated prices.

22 September 2005

DM of the MDC was allegedly assaulted and had property worth \$4 million damaged by a war veteran DK who accused him of supporting the MDC.

Nyanga

1 September 2005

AM an MDC supporter was allegedly assaulted and subsequently evicted from his home in Nyatondo village by two Zanu PF activists MM and ON for having participated in council elections on an MDC ticket.

3 September 2005

In what is perhaps a bizarre case in Guta village (Nyadowa), an Apostolic Church elder WK reportedly threatened KG and other church faithful with excommunication from the church if they refused to join the ruling party.

4 September 2005

JM a member of Zanu PF District Coordinating Committee reportedly threatened to strip headman N of his powers for failing to bar AM, one of his subjects from contesting as an MDC candidate in council elections.

15 September 2005

In a disturbing case, nursing staff at Kambudzi, reportedly under instruction from headman K are giving free medical support to Zanu PF card-carrying members while demanding payments from people they have been made to believe are MDC supporters.

16 September 2005

Disturbing reports have it that MDC activists have formed raiding parties to relieve Zanu PF supporters of GMB maize, claiming that they have been barred from officially accessing the scarce commodity. Some of the Zanu PF supports who have fallen victims to these gangs are EM and LN of Chifodya village.

19 September 2005

KT, an MDC activist, after publicly declaring that he would never support the ruling party, was reportedly banned from planting any crops this year by sub-chief N and the Mususa village councillor. The two also reportedly gave the said victim until January 2006 to leave the village.

29 September 2005

Sub chief G aided by local Zanu PF officials reportedly ordered all villagers from Guramatunhu ward who live in towns to either register with him or Zanu PF officials in order that they do not lose their rural homes.

Midlands

Gokwe Nembudziya

2 September 2005

J, a Zanu PF youth was allegedly assaulted by M after he refused to renounce his ruling party membership for the MDC.

9 September 2005

It was reported that M, a teacher was assaulted by N a Zanu PF supporter who accused the victim of supporting the MDC. It is alleged that the constituency's MP, Flora Buka has

NORTHERN/SOUTHERN REGIONS

tasked her party's supporters to stop at nothing in eliminating MDC support in the constituency.

10 September 2005

K, a Zanu PF youth was reportedly beaten up by fellow party supporters after being spotted in the company of a youth they (assailants) claimed was an MDC supporter.

Gokwe Sengwa

6 September 2005

In an act of extortion, the Dopota village committee which comprises Zanu PF supporters reportedly charged LZ of Defe-Dopota Primary School \$2 million for requesting for a piece of land that had been lying idle. The committee declared that MDC supporters like the victim were not welcome in the area.

9 September 2005

In an act of intolerance, two Zanu PF supporters SZ and OS reportedly barred CR and FL from visiting the Mudondo area from Harare after they failed to produce Zanu PF membership cards.

11 September 2005

It is alleged that Zanu PF youths aligned to the MP Esther Nyauchi assaulted J, a widow and MDC activist for organising MDC political activities in the constituency.

17 September 2005

It is alleged that SC of Sungwiza School was suspended from his job as a storekeeper by Zanu PF supporters after it emerged that the victim's parents supported the MDC.

Gokwe

3 September 2005

It is alleged that two brothers and MDC supporters of Mtakati village, AM and JM assaulted BC a member of the Zanu PF local structures after they accused him of denying MDC supporters access to food relief.

9 September 2005

AM of Tapera Village under Chief Jiri was allegedly assaulted by NB who claimed former urban dwellers in the

village displaced by Operation Restore Order were fanning MDC political activities in the area.

18 September 2005

It is said most residents of Mapfungautsi township displaced by Operation *Murambatsvina* are not going to benefit from Operation *Garikai* at Gokwe Growth Point because they have been accused of having voted overwhelmingly for the MDC in the March elections. It is said the beneficiaries instead are army and police officers as well as Zanu PF card holders.

25 September 2005

In an act of harassment, three brothers Mangisi village, XN, NN and VN were reportedly illegally evicted from the village after it was claimed that the victims' parents were MDC activists.

28 September 2005

Unconfirmed reports have it that Zanu PF youths loyal to the MP Esther Nyauchi invaded a white commercial farmer's farm along the Mvuma road.

Zhombe

18 September 2005

LD a female MDC supporter was allegedly assaulted at the business centre near Kotamayi Primary School by unidentified Zanu PF youths who insisted the business centre was a no-go area for MDC supporters.

Silobela

17 September 2005

M, a ruling party activist and self-proclaimed food co-ordinator in the Chemhere area reportedly barred opposition supporters from accessing maize at Chemhere business centre saying Zanu PF membership card holders deserved first preference.

21 September 2005

An MDC supporter MM reportedly had his tuck-shop destroyed by Zanu PF youths who claimed they were carrying out the final phase of the contentious 'clean up' campaign. The youths, it is said also accused the said victim of currying favour with the council.

24 September 2005

Two Zanu PF supporters MB and HM allegedly assaulted AM of Kwaikwai New Line Comoyne Ranch for waving an open hand (usually associated with the MDC) at a traditional leaders function.

Kwekwe

10 September 2005

It is said Zanu PF youths went on a house-to-house campaign to force people to celebrate the enactment of the Constitutional Amendment Act (number 17).

12 September 2005

It is alleged that SM of Tore Primary School was assaulted by Zanu PF supporters led by JS and SM for criticising the 17th Constitutional Amendment.

20 September 2005

It is alleged that TC, an MDC youth was assaulted by three Zanu PF supporters DS, NM and GM for attending an MDC rally.

Gweru Rural

1 September 2005

It was reported that Councillor N, of the ruling party denied ZD, an MDC supporter of Ngwengwe village, a supporting letter to attend an agriculture function at Mlezu Agricultural Institution because of her political affiliation.

3 September 2005

It is said NC of Plot 3 in Vungu resettlement area was threatened with eviction by two unidentified Zanu PF supporters who claimed government run resettlement areas had no place for MDC supporters.

12 September 2005

It is alleged that RM a Zanu PF supporter threatened ON, who served as losing MDC candidate for the constituency, Renson Gasela's campaign manager, with disappearance if he stood as a witness against the Zanu PF MP Josephat Madubeko in an electoral court hearing in Bulawayo.

23 September 2005

It is said JA, a white commercial farmer of Clearwater Kop farm was threatened with illegal eviction by JN, a Zanu PF supporter who made known his interest to illegally occupy the farm.

24 September 2005

It is claimed that PD of Plot 71 in Vungu resettlement area was threatened with eviction by Zanu PF local committee members TM, BM and NM for failing to attend Zanu PF meetings in the area.

Mkoba

2 September 2005

It is alleged that JC of Mkoba 13 was assaulted by Zanu PF supporters for having refused to demonstrate to prevent MDC leader Morgan Tsvangirayi from holding an MDC campaign rally in the run up to the March general elections.

9 September 2005

It is alleged that two Zanu PF youths assaulted GC after he had commented against the setting up of the Senate. The alleged assailants, it is claimed proceeded to make death threats against the said victim.

22 September 2005

It is alleged that Zanu PF youths assaulted SM, an army sergeant for attending a ward development meeting they deemed an MDC function.

Gweru Urban

3 September 2005

It is alleged that two MDC supporters manning the main gate at Mkoba Stadium during a rally addressed by MDC president Morgan Tsvangirai assaulted TM, a Zanu PF youth who asserted that the MDC leader was not presidential material.

15 September 2005

In an act of intolerance, two Zanu PF

female supporters allegedly illegally evicted NP of Mutapa section 3 from his new house allocated to him under the Operation *Garikayi*. It is said the women who accused the said victim of supporting the MDC, asserted the houses were meant for Zanu PF supporters only.

19 September 2005

In a disturbing case, three MDC supporters MH, TM and Z were allegedly arbitrarily arrested and detained unlawfully for three days by the police after staging a non-violent demonstration against the 17th Constitutional amendment.

21 September 2005

It is alleged that armed riot police details swooped on local MDC offices before arresting eleven youths in a meeting before interrogating and releasing them without charges.

Chirumanzu

23 September 2005

PC was reportedly threatened with unspecified action by C, a Zanu PF activist after condemning the government's failure to mitigate hunger and general suffering of locals,

25 September 2005

It is said VM of Mberengwa village was harassed by LV of the ruling party for criticising the government for what he termed failure to deliver its promises.

Zvishavane

3 September 2005

MG of Maglas was allegedly assaulted by unidentified Zanu PF supporters after he forced his way into the local GMB depot where it is alleged maize was being sold to Zanu PF card-carrying members only.

14 September 2005

In a rare occurrence, M and his family were allegedly assaulted by MDC youths who accused them of being die-hard ruling party supporters even in these difficult times.

18 September 2005

In an act of arson and malicious injury to property, suspected MDC supporters allegedly raided M, a Zanu PF activist's home before setting his car on fire claiming the said victim was benefiting from Zanu PF at the expense of his neighbour.

Mberengwa West

15 September 2005

It is alleged that Zanu PF supporters led by JM torched a hut belonging to EM, an MDC supporter of Gunya village (ward 27) barely a day after JM had asserted at a Zanu PF function that MDC supporters face total elimination from the village.

19 September 2005

It is alleged that MD was illegally evicted from her home in Chomutanda resettlement area by Zanu PF youths led by the Chomutanda village head who claimed the said victim was an MDC spy.

Bulawayo

Pumula\Luveve

3 September 2005

Suspected ZANU PF youth militias reportedly harassed SM who they accused of supporting the MDC and for denouncing the local Zanu PF leadership.

4 September 2005

It is claimed that Zimbabwe Prison Service officers threatened to assault and arrest RC after he criticised the government in Old Pumula.

12 September 2005

In an act of political narrow-mindedness, suspected Zanu PF supporters at Pumula Shopping centre reportedly threatened to assault SS who they accused of fanning anti-senate protests and distributing dangerous literature which turned out

to be NCA literature.

16 September 2005

It is alleged that war veterans led by M harassed LD who they accused of inciting residents of St Peters' village not to vote for the ruling party in the November senate elections.

21 September 2005

MD of Cowdray Park suburb was allegedly assaulted by suspected Zanu PF supporters who accused him of supporting the MDC-led City Council which they said was failing to provide water for the residents.

Bulawayo East

12 September 2005

It is alleged that unidentified Zanu PF supporters harassed KZ in Mahatshula suburb after he failed to produce a ruling party membership card. It is also claimed the victim lost \$30 000 to the alleged perpetrators.

Matabeleland North

Tsholotsho

7 September 2005

It was reported in Mkhethiwa that two Zanu PF supporters GS-N and PS treated RN, an MDC ward councillor of Sizanobuhle village with unspecified action after the victim successfully organised an MDC community development meeting in his ward held on the same day as a Zanu PF meeting.

Hwange East

1 September 2005

Three youth militias from the Kamativi National Youth Training Centre reportedly stormed the offices of the DED, a German donor organisation in Lwendulu, and harassed CC, a DED employee demanding to be privy to the organisation's operations. This was after the said victim had declined to provide the youths with food for their base.

Nkayi

8 September 2005

VM a Zanu PF supporter reportedly threatened SM and MM with disappearances after the two were tasked to provide catering services at a CIVNET ward workshop.

12 September 2005

In Gwelutshena village, (ward 5) KN and MN of the MDC were reportedly threatened with assault by Zanu PF supporters including PM, MN, CS and CN after they were spotted donning MDC t-shirts.

16 September 2005

In Gezekhaya village XM and TN were allegedly assaulted by three Zanu PF supporters FN, MS and SS for celebrating the March parliamentary election victory of the MDC legislator Abednico Bhebhe.

19 September 2005

It was reported at Mthabisi in Sibangilizwe village that NS, of an unclear political affiliation was allegedly assaulted by TS of Zanu PF for organizing CIVNET ward workshops. The incident took place at.

Matabeleland South

Gwanda North \ Umzingwane

1 September 2005

Zanu PF supporters led by J reportedly clashed with MDC activists at Sofa business centre over the holding of senate elections leading to five people being injured and hospitalised. It is said the police arrested and briefly interrogated the perpetrators, mostly Zanu PF before releasing them.

8 September 2005

It is alleged that MDC supporters were barred from accessing maize meal at Mtshazo business centre (Gonwe village) by Zanu PF councillor JM and CS, a ward coordinator.

11 September 2005

It is alleged that RN, a casual employee of the rural electrification programme was briefly illegally detained by a group of Zanu PF supporters who insisted the victim was an MDC supporter and could

therefore not work for the government.

At Mandihondgola School, BN who was wearing an NCA t-shirt was allegedly illegally detained and tortured by unidentified members of the youth brigade based in Guyu.

15 September 2005

It was reported that a group of Zanu PF supporters disrupted an MDC senate elections meeting at Kozi business centre preparations leading to five MDC supporters being injured in the clashes that followed. Some of the injured included CZ, MD, VS, MM and DM.

Masvingo

Bikita East

8 September 2005

It was reported in Checheni that JM was assaulted by AK, a Zanu PF supporter for wearing a ZESN t-shirt.

23 September 2005

DM, a Zanu PF supporter allegedly assaulted PM for not attending a ruling party meeting at Chegwiti.

Chiredzi North

18 September 2005

War veterans led by M and H reportedly threatened to assault JT, a white farmer in a bid to get the victim off his farm.

20 September 2005

A group of unidentified people reportedly accosted ACD, a white farmer and demanded that he vacate his farm to make way for them.

Chiredzi South

12 September 2005

Three MDC youths, NS, JM and V were allegedly detained and assaulted by police details at Chambuta Police Station in connection with the stoning of M, a

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war veteran's car after a Zanu PF rally.

19 September 2005

Three suspected youth militia allegedly assaulted PC in Chengoma Resettlement area as punishment for listening to the America-based Studio 7 at.

22 September 2005

For wearing an MDC t-shirt at the work place, JM was reportedly 'suspended' by a group of fellow employees who are suspected to be Zanu PF supporters.

23 September 2005

Reports have it that SH, a village head was allegedly forced to jump off a moving truck on its way to a 'bira' ceremony after being accused of being an MDC supporter by Zanu PF supporters.

Chivi North

19 September 2005

At Rungai Township PS, an MDC supporter allegedly assaulted a Zanu PF supporter TB who had accused the MDC leader Morgan Tsvangirai of causing general poverty and suffering through his calls for international targeted sanctions against some ruling party and government officials.

Chivi South

31 September 2005

RW and JT who are MDC supporter were purportedly harassed and were not allowed to buy GMB mealie-meal as they were accused of belonging to the wrong party by Zanu PF supporters led by TS and MD.

Gutu North

2 September 2005

Two Zanu PF supporters are said to have had a brawl during the memorial service of the late MP, Josiah Tungamirai over the choice of a possible replacement from the ruling party.

21 September 2005

At Chipangane primary school, villagers like AM who are associated with the MDC were reportedly told to leave the area by the headman.

Masvingo Central

16 September 2005

A group of Zanu PF supporters led by an H reportedly bared C, an MDC supporter from erecting his party's campaign posters.

17 September 2005

It is alleged that Zanu PF supporters led by DS and OM, masquerading as MDC activists harassed and attempted to prevent MDC supporters from attending an MDC rally at Mucheke stadium, leading to a fight with MDC youths manning the gates.

23 September 2005

RM was allegedly assaulted by fellow Zanu PF Women's League members TR, CM, NK and others who accused her of spying for the MDC.

Zaka East

9 September 2005

In Mugudubi village, TM a Zanu PF supporter reportedly told MDC supporters including HT that their names would not be included on the World Food Programme beneficiaries list because they supported the 'wrong party'.

Zaka West

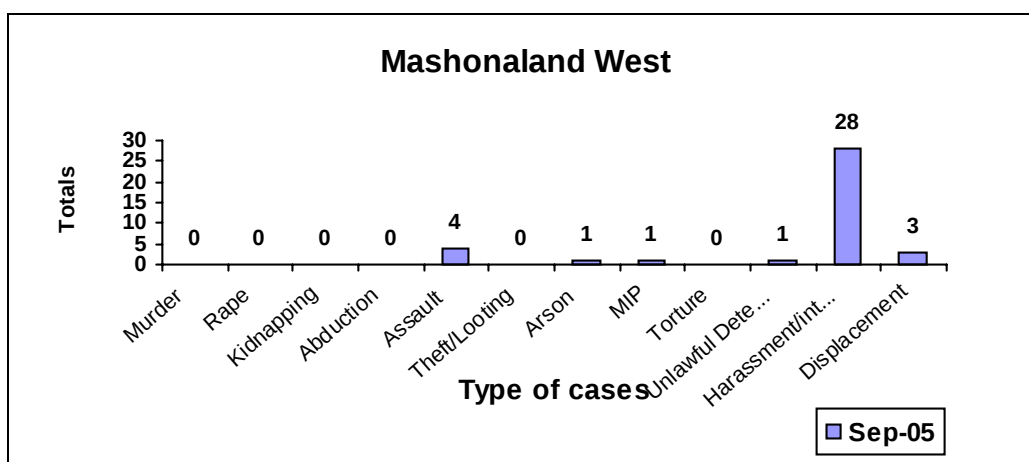
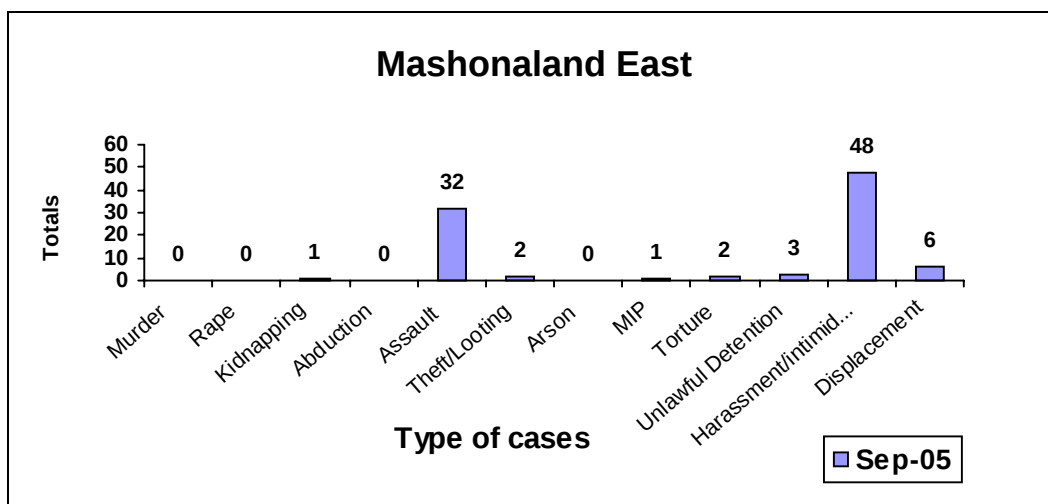
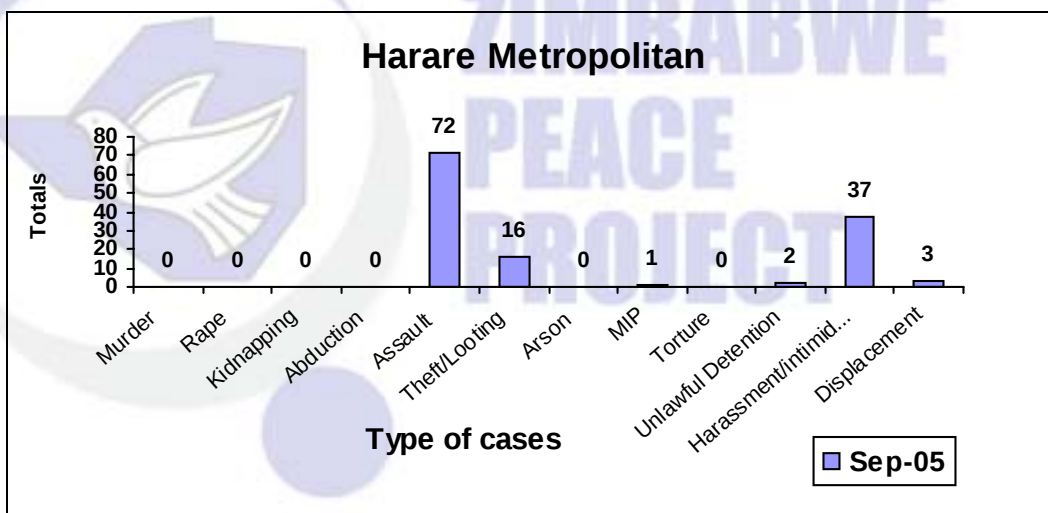
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It is alleged that MDC supporters in Jichidza were made to pay hefty sums of money as contributions towards a proposed rain-making ceremony.

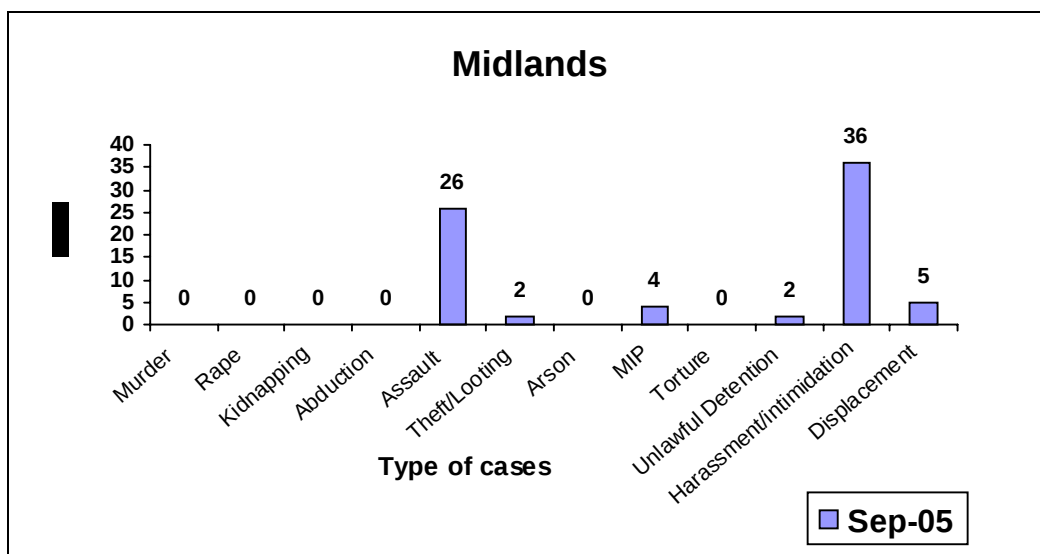
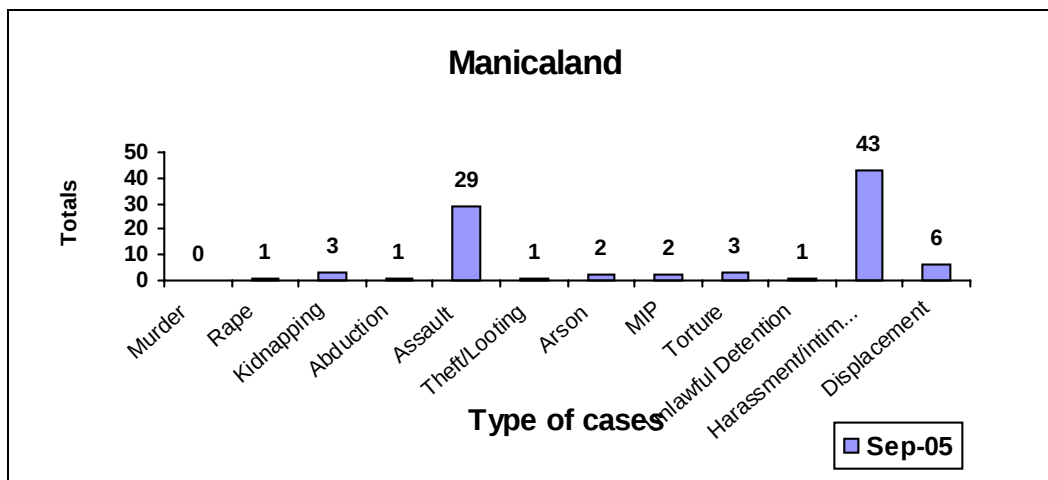
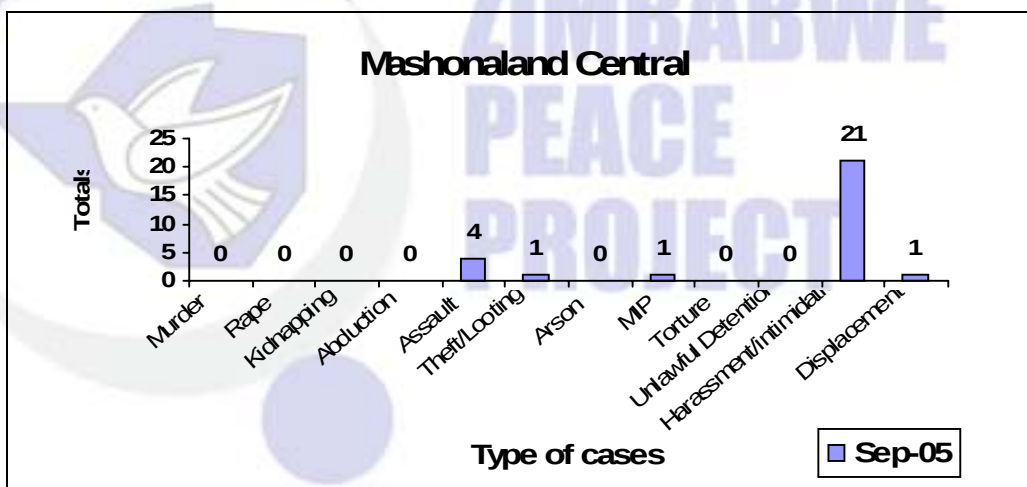
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At Veza, IM a Zanu PF supporter reportedly refused to include MDC supporters on a list of potential beneficiaries of aid given to orphans. It is said he instead 'advised' the MDC supporters to seek such help from the MDC officials.

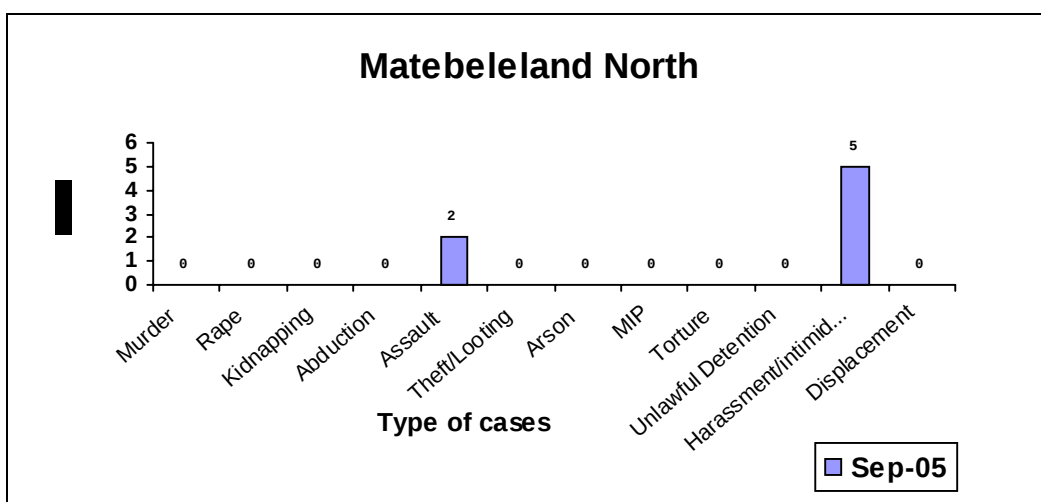
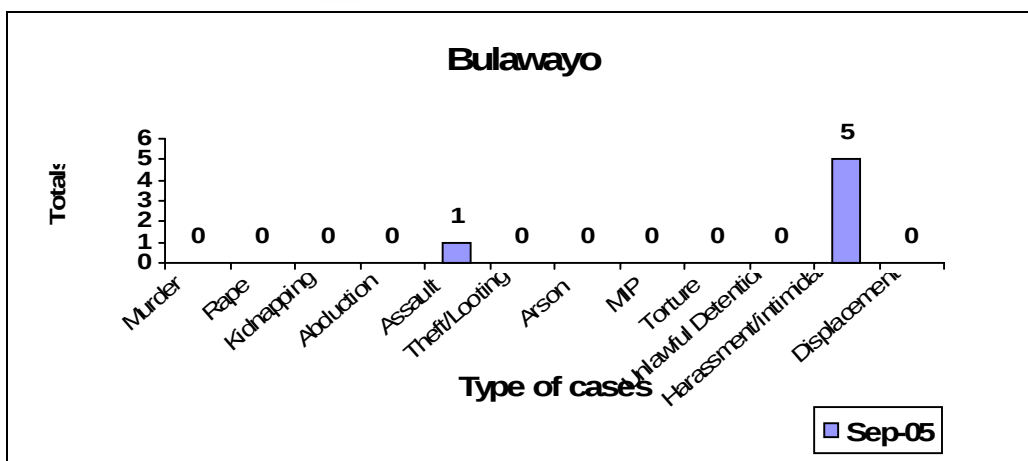
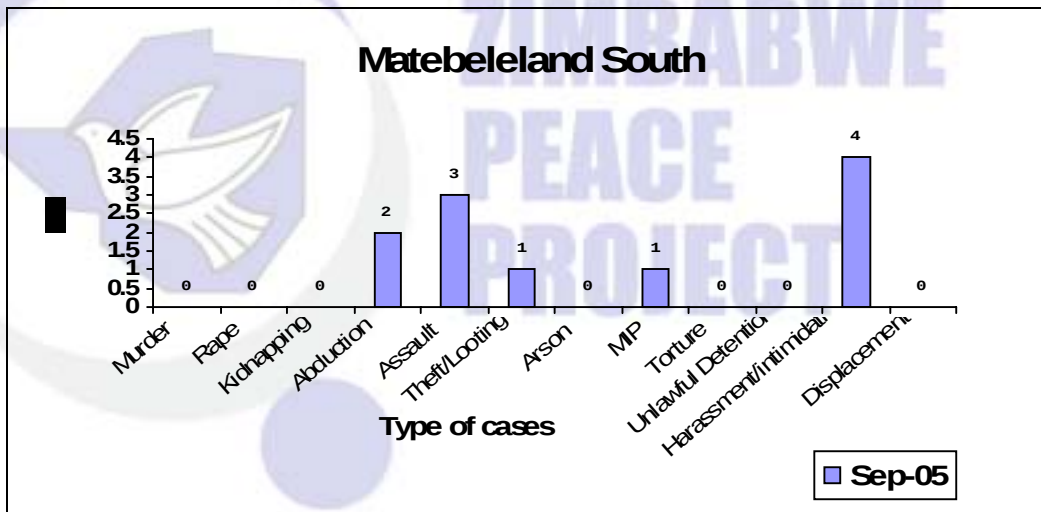
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ZIMBABWE PEACE PROJECT

The Zimbabwe Peace Project (ZPP) was conceived shortly after 2000 by a group of Churches and NGOs working or interested in human rights and peace-building initiatives, and was to become a vehicle for civic interventions in a time of political crisis. In particular ZPP sought to monitor and document incidents of

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human rights violations and politically-motivated breaches of the peace e.g. violence.

Today, ZPP's member organisations include, the Catholic Commission for Justice and Peace (CCJP), Zimbabwe Council of Churches (ZCC), Evangelical Fellowship of Zimbabwe (EFZ), Zimbabwe Election Support Network (ZESN), Counselling Services Unit (CSU), Zimbabwe Liberators' Platform, Zimbabwe Civic Education Trust, ZimRights, Civic Education Network Trust.(CIVNET)

GOAL AND OBJECTS OF THE ORGANISATION

ZPP was established with the aim of promoting peaceful co-existence and to help reduce political conflict and violence through monitoring, investigating and researching the causes and nature of violence and circulating widely the results of such activities. The organisation also aims to help resolve politically related conflicts, and to identify victims and perpetrators of

such conflicts, the former of whom will be assisted by being given any support they may require, e.g. legal, medical or material assistance. ZPP aims to work in cooperation with any authorities, institutions and individuals to achieve its objectives of curbing violence and upholding human rights.

VISION

To see Zimbabwe transform into a society that cherishes the pursuit and realisation of justice, freedom, peace, human dignity and development.

MISSION

To heighten the nation's socio-political conscience and senses of responsibility against violence and human rights abuses through information and practical interventions.

GOAL

To reduce violence and human rights violations through community-based and national monitoring, documentation of cases of human rights abuses, and making partnerships and alliances that tap the expertise and assets of local communities and local and regional organisations that will help the attainment of sustainable peace and democracy in Zimbabwe.

THE OBJECTS OF THE ZPP

- monitoring and documenting incidents of politically-motivated violence and human rights abuses
- To initiate and support projects which promote peace and respect for fundamental rights and freedoms
- To tackle political rancour and the tendency to commit violence and human rights excesses as a way of influencing electoral and political thought, and outcomes
- To initiate and promote public education concerning the benefits of pursuing, keeping and preserving the peace, social harmony and political tranquillity
- To identify victims of political violence and human rights violations and refer these to other institutions providing medical, legal, financial, moral or other support
- Giving out timely, well researched and authentic reports on cases of human rights violations to other organisations, stakeholders and any individuals or organisations that may want to use the information for other purposes
- Providing an early warning mechanism to catalyse action to deal with situations that are likely to lead to breaches of peace and human rights violations
- Influencing policy decisions on issues of peace and human rights through issuing of policy briefs
- Increasing networking with community groups and local, regional and international organisation dealing with issues of peace, human rights, conflict resolution and democracy

- Improving the capacity of our community-based monitors in areas of research, information gathering and reporting
- To investigate cases of political violence and the violation of fundamental rights and freedoms and institute legal proceedings

against offenders as a way of combating lawlessness and impunity. The proceedings can take the form of private prosecutions, court applications and actions.

VALUES

ZPP believes in and upholds the following moral principles and standards:

- Democracy and good governance
- Rule of law
- Probity & accountability of public office
- Factual & credible documentation of human rights excesses
- The protection of individual group rights and freedoms, and the human worth.
- Non partisanship and impartiality in dealing with situations of conflict and human rights abuses
- -Gender sensitivity and Equality of all mankind.

ACTIVITIES

The organisation is engaged in the following activities to achieve its goals:

- Monitoring all forms of violence and human rights abuse and collecting data on conditions, practices and policies which affect the human rights, freedoms, dignity and livelihood of people, e.g. the availability or otherwise of food;
- Recording and documenting cases of conflict and human rights violations;
- Networking strategically with other organisations able to assist victims and perpetrators;
- Conducting follow-up investigations to gather enough evidence to build up water tight cases for purposes of litigation;
- Ensuring that certain verified cases of violence and human rights violations are litigated and perpetrators are punished; as part of an anti-impunity drive through the courts
- Providing basic counselling services for both victims and perpetrators of violence and human rights abuses;
- Training monitors
- Referring of victims of violence and human rights abuses to organisations better placed to offer relevant assistance;
- Researching on causes, degree, effects of violence and human rights abuses, and ways of eliminating and avoiding conflict and human rights violations;
- Promoting dispute resolution and conflict management interventions;
- Issuing policy briefs to influence policy decisions deterring the culture or institution of violence and human rights abuses.

UNIQUENESS

The organisation's strength lies in the fact that it is perhaps the only permanent community-based civil society organisation with a country-wide grassroots presence. ZPP has two trained primary monitors deployed in each of the 120 electoral constituencies of Zimbabwe.

The monitors are members of the communities within which they reside and work, and this gives ZPP the capacity to, among other things, 'sense' conflicts long before their symptoms spread.



GENERAL INFORMATION

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