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### **REPORT FOR THE REMOVAL OF CHILDREN ALREADY IN ALTERNATIVE CARE [SECTION 173 OF THE CHILDREN'S ACT OF 38 OF 2005]**

**DSD File no: RTBW 125/ 2020**

**Court Ref no: 14/4/4- 325/ 2020**

#### **PROFESSIONAL REPORT BY**

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## **A. INTRODUCTION**

The purpose of this report is to transfer the placement in respect of **Elona Joko** under the care of Ms Lindiwe Mosia in terms of Section 173(1) (a) (b) of the Children's Act no. 38 of 2005. The child concerned was initially placed at Morester Temporary Place of Safety under the care of Ms Hellen Lots and was transferred to Reamogetswe Child and Youth Care on the 20<sup>th</sup>. March 2024.

## **B.IDENTIFYING PARTICULARS OF THE CHILDREN FORMING SUBJECT OF REPORT**

<b>FULL NAMES</b>	<b>GENDER</b>	<b>DATE OF BIRTH/ AGE</b>
Elona Joko	Female	2020.07.11

**Residential Address:** STAND NO 35,4<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE

SPOORWEG, SONOP

BRITS, 0258

**Home language** : Setswana

**Present Care- giver:** Lindiwe Mosia

## **C. SOURCES OF INFORMATION**

Ms Ntombi Msweni- Reamogetswe Social Worker

Ms Lindiwe Mosia- Reamogetswe Centre Manager

## **D. CASE HISTORY**

The child concerned was found to be in need of care and protection by Rustenburg Magistrate Court, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2020. The case was following the arrest of her biological mother on the same day. The child concerned was only five months old when removed to a place of safety. It was alleged that the biological mother was arrested for murder and kept in the holding cell at Boitekong Police Station and by the time her biological father's whereabouts were said to be unknown.

The child's biological mother Ms Vuyelwa Joko was reported to have been arrested for stabbing her friend with a knife at Sondela, near Bana Pele Primary School. She is said to be originally from the Eastern Cape and had no family or immediate relatives around Rustenburg that could assist her with child concerned. Hence, the child was placed at Morester Temporary place of Safety.

The child concerned's biological father after several attempt to trace her by the previous case manager ( Ms Neo Motshegoe) was reported be to Mr Alex Mpande and reported was unable to take the child concerned in his care as he was married. Ever since that contact no further interventions were made as the case manager never heard from him again after his contact. Traces to search for him were unsuccessful.

Furthermore, attempts were made by the Case Manager in search for information that can assist in the investigation and the official was given the same wrong addresses she gave the initial case manager. There was also information attained at the Boitekong Police Station that talks about Pamela Joko who arrested at Port St Johns, in the Eastern Cape Province. Pamela was said to be the child's maternal Aunt. The initial case manager, indicated that she had spoken to her in the early stages of the investigations and she made promises to take the child concerned to the Eastern Cape Province in her care before she became untraceable as well.

## **E. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

The purpose of this report is to motivate for variation of placement in respect of **Joko Elona** Under the care of Ms Lindiwe Mosia in terms of Section 173(1) (a) (b) of the Children's Act no. 38 of 2005.

## **F. REASONS FOR TRANSFER**

The reason for transfer of placement in respect of the child concerned is that Joko Elona be placed in a Child and Youth Care Centre to meet all her basic necessities and attend therapeutic programmes that meets her developmental milestones.

## **G. EVALUATION**

- i. The child concerned has been found in need of care and protection as has been abandoned by her biological mother.
- ii. No one has ever come forward to claim for her parental rights and responsibilities, and no one has shown any willingness to assume parental roles for the child concerned.
- iii. The child concerned need to be transferred from Reamogetswe Child and Youth Care Centre and be placed at SOS Child and Youth Care Centre.

## **H. CONCLUSION**

In view of the above- mentioned information, the social worker is of the opinion that **Elona Joko** is still in need of care and protection as outlined in Section 150(1) (a) the Children's Act no. 38 of 2005 and further more section 9 of the Act indicates that

in all matters concerning the care, protection and well – being of a child is of paramount importance, must be applied.

## **I. RECOMMENDATION**

In view of the above- mentioned information it is recommended that:

- i. **Elona Joko** placement be removed from Reamogetswe Child and Youth Care Centre and be placed at SOS Child and Youth Care Centre in terms of Section 173(1)(a)(b) of the Children’s Act no. 38 of 2005.
- ii. Supervision services and necessary support be rendered by the designated social worker employed by the Department of Social Development, Rustenburg Service Point.

**Report compiled by: Palesa Mogotlhe**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Social worker grade 1**