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Rammala was arrested and stripped of his uniform.

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suspended???? should be FIRED and put in jail without bail!

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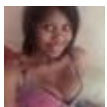
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No suspended is right, except it should be by his neck from a tree.

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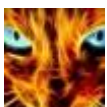
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So am I!

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Why suspend him?He should be fired! Revoke his bail and let him rot in jail.Useless piece of scum!

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This poor woman took refuge in a place that she was told was safe only to be victimised again. At least the police are taking it seriously.

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wonderful, a woman goes to the police for help after being abused and what do they do, rape her...what message does this send...how will another woman have the courage to stand up for herself when abused and go to the cops after hearing this...

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Stanman - November 22, 2011 at 09:30

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@ marcel verster: Suspended without pay, read carefully. They have to by law investigate and then of course get him in form of the court.

The guy was also stripped of his uniform and has been treated as a criminal as he should be. So where is the issue here?

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Previously they used to hang criminals, now they just suspend them.

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Jamie, I LOVE your play on words! Well said!!!

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I agree may God not god.

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are you referring to our fish or to our feet?

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Well said Mpembe!

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And two cops - one white, one black, who were doing their duty by pulling Winnie Mandela off the road for a traffic violation get fired for doing so while Winnie (once again) gets off scot-free to continue thumbing her nose at law and order, (remember she never served a day of her 14-year sentence for - among others - the Stompie Seipei incident) just because she happens to be Mandela's ex who also screamed on TV for all the world to see: "Weeth our metches end our necklesses we weel leeberate thees country.." But the two cops who LEGALLY and in the line of DUTY have been fired by another corrupt cop, their boss...

Yep, as George Orwell said in Animal Farm: "All animals are equal, but some animals are more equal than others..."

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Good for you Mpembe!

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Hope they did all the tests right away. Only way to nail him, if he is guilty.

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the docket will be "lost"

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He should be in jail not out on bail!!!!!! If he raped once, he'll do it again!! He is a danger to every woman out there!!

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well done for taking a stand against this. Fire him and then take further action.

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hvklein - November 23, 2011 at 09:14

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Why is the s.o.b not behind bars until his trial? are criminal cops above the law or his he a friend of Moolius?

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NO GOOD JOB... suspension, absolutely what he deserves, im sure he will learn his lesson while on suspension. you know, he just needs some time to think about his action and realize that what he

did was wrong. agh, no punishment enough.. mpempalina,I THINK WE SHOULD RATHER DO THIS...
fire him i think, and then after that WE FIRE YOU FOR SUSPENDING THE DUDE... POLICEMEN THESE
DAYS ARE A DISGRACE...

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