

Oral Sources

Interviews

The majority of these interviews were conducted either by myself or by a research assistant, Meverett Koetz, who is fluent in Zulu, Afrikaans, English, and the Soweto street argot. I compiled a list of questions to be covered but encouraged him to use his discretion and to digress where appropriate. We compiled no formal sample of interviewees, but he targeted people who had experiences and memories of specific Soweto gangs. Koetz's interviews were taped, translated, and transcribed. During six of the interviews he took notes without using a tape recorder. About half of my interviews were conducted without a tape recorder, either because I met my informant in a public space or because my informant felt uncomfortable with tape recording. In such cases I took thorough notes. The untaped interviews are indicated by the word "notes" in parentheses. All of the taped interviews will be deposited with the Oral History Project, African Studies Institute, University of the Witwatersrand. In addition, I was given access to videotaped interviews conducted by the History Workshop Soweto Film Project (HWSFP), University of the Witwatersrand, and several transcribed interviews conducted by colleagues. All of the interviews took place in the Johannesburg/Soweto area unless otherwise indicated. Informants often supplied only their surnames or nicknames, in some cases specifically to avoid easy identification.

Interviews with the Author, 1986-1992

- Buthlezi, Q., 30 October 1991 (notes).
- ✓ Carr, W.J.P., 15 April 1988 (a); 5 August 1992 (b) (notes).
- ✓ Duma, L., 10 August 1992.
- ✓ Kambule, T. W., 29 October 1991 (a); 4 December 1991 (b).
- ✓ Kuzwayo, E., 23 May 1989 and 1 June 1989.
- ✓ Lebelo, S., 27 September 1991.
- Leeuw, L., 23 September 1988 (notes).
- Magubane, P., 7 September 1988.
- ✓ Manana, K., 21 September 1988.
- Maponya, R., 28 October 1992 (notes).
- ✓ Mattera, D., 5 June 1988 (a); 10 July 1988 (b).
- ✓ Mazibuko, F., 5 December 1992.
- Mbawu, "Babes," and Ngwenya, B., 20 April 1989 (notes); 27 April 1989 (notes).
- McMurchie, J., 21 September 1992 (notes).
- Mdlalose, "McCoy," 20 April 1989; 27 April 1989 (notes).
- ✓ Miles, H., 4 April 1989 (a); 11 April 1989 (b); 16 November 1989 (c).
- Mofokeng, S., 2 October 1991.
- Moloi, Godfrey, 26 March 1988.
- ✓ Motaung, I., 27 November 1991.
- ✓ Motjuwadi, S., 29 September 1988.
- Motlana, N., 2 October 1986.
- Mphahlele, E., 29 September 1986.
- ✓ Msimanga, J., 23 January 1992.
- Mxadana, M., 31 January 1992 (notes).
- Ndaba, Q., 15 September 1988 (notes).
- Nhlapho, J., 9 May 1989; 12 May 1989 (notes).

- ✓ Nkondo, C., 2 September 1992 (notes).
- ✓ Nkosi, Norris, 25 September 1988.
- ✓ Peggy Bel Air (E. Sinnle), 2 June 1989.
- Pitje, G., 23 September 1986.
- ✓ Seathlolo, K., 2 September 1992 (notes).
- Shubane, K., 24 August 1992 (notes).
- Siluma, M., 13 December 1991 (notes).
- Thabethe, B., 18 January 1990 (notes).
- ✓ Thwala, G., 21 September 1988 (notes).
- Tloteng, S., 18 November 1991 (notes).
- ✓ Zikalala, S., 2 October 1992.

Interviews with Meverett Koetz, 1992

- "Bra Forker," Manfred, 17 June 1992.
- ✓ Dlamini, G., December 1992.
- ✓ Dlamini, Mrs., 5 September 1992.
- ✓ Gibi, Mrs., August 1992 (a); December 1992 (b).
- "Gladys" (Mzimhlophe resident), 15 June 1992.
- Hlatswayo, C., 24 April 1992 (notes).
- ✓ Hlatswayo, Mrs., and Moloi, Gertrude, August 1992.
- "Johannes" (Phiri resident), 21 June 1992.
- Kheswa, L., 21 June 1992.
- Khoza, M., 12 April 1992 (notes).
- ✓ Khumalo, G., December 1992.
- Khumalo, Mrs. S., August 1992.
- Mabhena, P., 26 September 1992.
- ✓ Makgene, T., August 1992.
- Malaza, S., December 1992.
- Mampiki, Mrs., 13 June 1992.
- ✓ Maseko, L., 26 September 1992 (a); including "Thabo," December 1992 (b).
- ✓ Masoka, S., December 1992.
- ✓ Mawela, Mr., December 1992.
- Mbuli, C., December 1992.
- Mbuli, S., 11 April 1992 (notes).
- ✓ Mhlambi, Mrs., December 1992.
- Modise, M., 13 June 1992.
- ✓ Mokgotsi, H., 5 September 1992.
- ✓ Moloantwa, P., December 1992.
- ✓ Moosie, Mrs., August 1992.
- ✓ Morwa, G., August 1992.
- ✓ Mtshali, Mrs., December 1992.
- ✓ Ndala, "Oupa," 26 September 1992.
- Ndlovu, "Spokes," 22 June 1992.
- Ngobese, A., 19 April 1992 (notes).
- ✓ Nkosi, D., 5 September 1992.
- ✓ Nkosi, L., August 1992.
- ✓ Nkosi, T., 4 July 1992.

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- Ntsoaneng, Mr., 20 June 1992.
✓ Nzimande, J., December 1992.
✓ Radebe, J., 5 September 1992.
✓ Sentsoe, Mrs., 4 July 1992.
Sibiya, Mrs., August 1992.
✓ Sidu, Mr., December 1992.
✓ Simelane, G., 18 April 1992 (a) (notes); December 1992 (b).
✓ Sirurufera, M., 26 September 1992.
"Sister Grace" (Phiri resident), 17 June 1992.
✓ Thape, Rev., 6 July 1992.
✓ Thotela, "Zakes," 5 July 1992.
Tshabalala, Sam, 5 July 1992.
✓ Tsotetsie, A., 26 September 1992.
✓ Xhaba, M., December 1992.
Zodwa, Miss, December 1992.
Zwane, M., 23 April 1992 (notes).