



AFFIDAVIT – VETERINARY REPORT

I, **Dr. Natara Moodley**, hereby make oath and declare in English as follows:

1.

I am an adult female veterinarian registered with the South African Veterinary Council (SAVC) under registration number CS26/17195. I hold a Bachelor of Veterinary Science degree (BVSc). I am currently employed by the Cape of Good Hope SPCA. I am competent to provide veterinary services and experienced in identifying clinical signs of neglect and cruelty in animals.

2.

The facts contained in this affidavit fall within my personal knowledge unless indicated otherwise or unless it appears so from the context. The facts are also, to the best of my knowledge and belief, both true and correct.

3.

On 29 September 2026, a canine was admitted into the care of the Cape of Good Hope SPCA after reportedly being seized from a property situated at 6 The Gables, 52 Vryburger Avenue, Bothasig, Cape Town. The animal in question was seized by Inspector Siviwe Noko under SPCA case number INSP237226.

3.1. ANIMAL INFORMATION:

The details of the animal are as follows:

- **Admission Number:** A106032
- **Species:** Canine
- **Breed:** Bull Terrier
- **Sex and Reproductive Status:** Female (intact)
- **Estimated Age:** Adult
- **Colour and Markings:** White and brown
- **Microchip:** Unknown
- **Name:** Unknown

3.2. CLINICAL EXAMINATION FINDINGS:

I conducted a full clinical examination of the animal in question. The following findings were recorded:

3.2.1 General Condition:

- **Body Condition Score:** 2/9 (indicating that the animal was severely underweight)
- **Weight:** 20 kg
- **Behaviour:** Bright, Alert and Responsive (BAR)
- **Nails:** No abnormalities detected.
- **Dentition:** No abnormalities detected.
- **Parasite Burden:** Flea infestation noted.

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3.2.2 Most Significant Clinical Findings

- Generalised alopecia and dermatitis affecting the face, all four paws, perineal region, stifles, tail and mammary gland region.
- Granulomatous skin lesions associated with the affected areas.
- The animal was extremely pruritic, with clinical signs consistent with significant and persistent skin irritation.
- Erythema and an open wound were present on the medial aspect of the right hind limb.
- Clinical signs consistent with pressure sores, particularly in areas associated with prolonged contact with hard surfaces.
- The animal exhibited lameness/limping of the left hind limb, consistent with a painful musculoskeletal or soft-tissue injury.
- The animal had a severe flea burden, with inadequate parasite control evident.
- The overall body condition was markedly poor, with a Body Condition Score of 2/9, consistent with significant undernutrition/emaciation.

4.

VETERINARY OPINION:

Based on my clinical examination, the objective clinical findings and my professional veterinary knowledge, it is my opinion that the animal was suffering from severe and chronic dermatological disease, characterised by generalised alopecia, dermatitis, granuloma formation and severe pruritus involving multiple regions of the body.

The animal further presented with an open wound and erythema to the medial aspect of the right hind limb, as well as lameness affecting the left hind limb.

In my professional opinion, the clinical presentation is consistent with severe neglect, including inadequate nutrition, inadequate ectoparasite control and inappropriate environmental conditions, including prolonged lying on hard surfaces resulting in pressure-related lesions.

The severe flea burden would have contributed to the dermatological disease and associated pruritus.

The animal's Body Condition Score of 2/9 is indicative of significant undernutrition and poor nutritional status.

The clinical signs affecting the hind limbs are consistent with injury and/or chronic painful conditions, resulting in impaired mobility and discomfort.

The nature and severity of the conditions indicate that the animal had been subjected to prolonged and unnecessary suffering.

The duration of the conditions is assessed as chronic, based on the extent, distribution and severity of the lesions, the marked loss of body condition and the presence of established dermatological and pressure-related lesions.

5.

PROGNOSIS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

5.1 Prognosis

The prognosis for the animal is assessed as guarded to poor, having regard to the severity and chronicity of the dermatological disease, severe loss of body condition, persistent pruritus, established wounds and lesions, and hind-limb pathology.

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5.2 Recommendations

Having regard to the severity and chronic nature of the animal's condition, the extent of the lesions, the degree of discomfort and suffering, the poor body condition and the overall prognosis, humane euthanasia is recommended in the interests of the animal's welfare.

6.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the animal presented in a severely compromised physical condition, with a Body Condition Score of 2/9, a significant flea burden, generalised alopecia and dermatitis, granulomatous skin lesions, severe pruritus, open and inflamed wounds, pressure-related lesions and hind-limb lameness.

The clinical findings are consistent with prolonged neglect and inadequate care, including inadequate nutrition, inadequate ectoparasite control and inappropriate environmental conditions. The conditions identified were chronic and caused the animal significant and unnecessary discomfort and suffering.

It is my professional veterinary opinion that the animal had been subjected to unnecessary suffering over a prolonged period and that, given the severity and chronicity of its condition and its guarded to poor prognosis, humane euthanasia was recommended to prevent further suffering.

7.

I know and understand the content of this declaration.

I have no objection to taking the prescribed oath.

I consider the prescribed oath to be binding on my conscience.

DEPONENT

Dr. Natara Moodley (BVSc)

The deponent has acknowledged that she knows and understands the contents of this affidavit/declaration, which was signed and sworn to before me at Crissy Park on this the 30 day of September 2026, the regulations contained in Government Notice No R1258 of 21 July 1972, as amended, and Government Notice No R1648 of 19 August 1977, as amended, having been complied with.

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