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REGIMENT:

This is Magida Magagula speaking here; I am the son of Madlangampisi of Ndlondlo of Moyeni. The last to die here in the Moyeni area was Peter. They came from Mdzimba where they were mixed with the Sotho. Then they went down to this end. There came the Ngwane, who disturbed them. In fact even he himself (?) was interfered with by the Ngwane until he escaped to Matshokane and later came to seek refuge to Ngwane king who gladly accepted him. He was then allowed to settle in this area. He was my anscestor. Majoli of Doklwako was born of the sub-wife in our area. He was the rain-making medicine handler. Then there was friction until the half-brothers separated.

In fact the Magagula people used to make rain and celebrate their own incwala ceremony. But Moyeni once ran away as far as the Madolo people. That was after he was forced to surrander to the Swazi king on his EXIMAGE taking the country. Majoli and Moyeni separated at this time of friction caused by the intrusion of Swazi in the Magagula area. The Ngomane and the Magagula are of consanguinity, because they used to visit each other.

On his return from exile Moyeni came to humble himself before the king, and he was allowed to settle in the same area. But the people do not know exactly what the area was called. It looks as if on his return he was told to return to Mkhutsali. There were other clans such as Masilela, whose remains are still here. Moyeni returned to his previous area where there were was his cave fortress during the days of Somhlolo.

The Ndwandwe came here. Madmzanga of them was found by the Masilela people, who then went to report to the king. The king commanded them to bring him before him, which they did, but when the king saw him he knew that he belonged to his mother's people. So he was given a place at Bulandzeni. On his arrival here Madzanga was in this Moyeni area.