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INFORMANT : THINTITHA MALAZA

REGIMENT : MLONDLOZI

INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM : GRANDFATHER, MANDWAZA MALANZA OF MGADLELANE.

AREA: Mbabane

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In the beginning the Malaza clan were living at Luhleko under the Maseko chief. The head of the Malaza clan when Somhlolo came was Shelewa Malaza. The Malaza people moved from Luhleko to Motshane near present day Mbabane. This time they were under Shelewa's son, Bhekani. At Motshane they settled at EKugacweni, at Chief Londundulu Nkhosi's royal residence. Today ~~ix~~ however the Malaza clan is scattered here and there around the country of the Swazi. At Luhleko the Malaza, together with the Maseko were known as the Emangqamane ( the Ngqamane). Other clans found at Luhleko at this time were Mbhokane (Gama) and Ngozo. All these people were under the Maseko.

When Somhlolo came the Maseko and the Malaza fought against Somhlolo as allies. The cause of the battle was this: Somhlolo ~~gave~~ gave the Maseko chief a girl. When she went back home to pay a visit the Maseko people washed the Sidvwaba ( the traditional womens dress) and as a result ~~dit~~ <sup>or</sup> ditested it. Somhlolo's people attacked the Maseko for belittling their daughter. The Maseko were defeated together with their allies ( the people who were settled at Luhleko). After that fight the Malaza ~~clan~~ <sup>clan</sup> could not co-operate with the Maseko and so they left for Motshane. The Maseko remained at Luhleko. The Malaza people under Bhekani Malaza left Luhleko to seek refuge elsewhere. At Motshane they were under the chief of that area, Londunduna Nkhosi , the latter line of chiefs is still ruling. Like

Like other Swazi people the Malaza were incorporated into the Swazi regiments. They frequently went to the ~~royal~~ royal homestead.

The Malaza surname is thus:- Malaza, NaboNkhosi, Nabofodvulubovu, Nabondzab' uvakalako, yeviwa ngu Mshengu waShabalala, yathsi isesangweni yaphangalala, Ngqamane, Mbulunga lomuhle....

Previously the Malaza people ~~married~~ did not marry the Maseko, Ngozo, Mbhokane, but now this does not apply.

When the Malaza people came to Mothsane they were under Shelewa's son, Bhekani. Bhekani is famous for making hoes. After Bhekani, Mahlanya (his grandson) became the important man in the Malaza ~~clan~~ clan. Mahlanya begot Shizela, who begot Mavaha, who disappeared from home and never came back.

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