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Most of the married women at K___ in N___ are worried because of a certain woman who is seducing other womens husbands in that area. The women said that they are worried because this woman is going to infect their husbands with Aids which is also going to affect them too. MBC Radio I 7:30pm, 15th May, 2002.

The president of Sudan (Ali ba She) has begged men in his country to marry more than one wife so that the population of his country should go up to 60 (sixty) million for the current figure of 30 (thirty) million. The country is islamised and allows men to have up to 4 wives. Each man having 4 wives. MBC Radio I Fri 1:30pm, 15th May, 2002.

*(Special Article) – (Political) On 17th May, 2002 one helicopter headed to E___ House in C___ City, a building that has a number of offices for the employed people in C___ and one of the tallest buildings in that city. When the officers heard the sound of the aircraft above the building, they all started running out of their offices and all of them were shouting while running away saying “Bin Laden!, Bin Laden! Bin Laden!” When the officers heard the sound of the aircraft above the building, they thought that it was an aircraft that was sent by the terrorists to destroy the building and they were thinking of Osama Bin Laden as the one behind the plot, that’s why they were running while calling Bin Laden’s name. The truth on that incident is that it was true that the aircraft came above that particular building, and it was dropping the Telecom Network Machine that was set above that building. Only that the officers were not informed about the coming of the aircraft before hand that’s why they were afraid of the aircraft thinking that it was a destruction. MBC Radio II FM 7:30 pm 17-05-02.

A certain man at U___ in A___ is allowing his wife to be having sex with his friend in exchange for cash. This man is doing this because of poverty that has striked this family. The man is giving the cash to the husband soon after the action. It was not said about how much he is paying after action. The wife has started a small business using the money the couple is getting from that man. The husband do chat with this guy as friends despite the condition that the guy is being having sex with his wife. The parents of this guy are worried that since the guy started going for this sex with that woman, he is not supporting them with cash as he was doing before he started paying for sex to his friend. The main reason for this incident is the poverty this couple is experiencng.
MBC Radio II FM 7:30pm, 19th May, 2002.

In N___, at N___ Boma to be specific; a certain woman was charged to be suspended from the church after caught having sex with a certain man. On the charging panel, there was the church pastor and other church elders. Meanwhile, the woman did not stop going to the church though she was charged to do so. In an interview about why she is not stopping going to the church as charged by the church elders including the church pastor for the conduct she did she said that she is not going to get the chagement because on the decision-making of that chagement, there was the church pastor whom she said that if they want to suspend her for having sex with someone being breaking the church’s law, then the church panel had to suspend the church pastor too. She said that the church pastor had to be suspended too because she had sex with that pastor in one of the rest houses at N___ District. Meanwhile, the church panel is failing to find what to do on this incident as the church pastor has also been mentioned to have had sex with the accused member of the church is a rest house. MBC Radio II FM 7:30pm, 22nd May, 2002.

South Africa Pro life Conference against abortion: The National Alliance for Life of South Africa organized/has concluded a pro-life conference, held October 4 – 6th, 2001, in Durban. The chairman of the Alliance Dr. Albu van Eeden, called on civil society and churches where abortion is illegal to learn from South Africa’s mistake of legalizing abortion. Bishop Purity Malanga of Method Church of Kwazuhn

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Natal, said every human being is made in the image of God, so life of the unborn child awaits protection. According to statistics on abortions done in South Africa since February 1997 to 21 September, 2001, over 188,061 cases have been recorded at the killing clinics. Abortion providers in South Africa are asked by local

boards of health to maintain statistics about the patients they see, such as age, ethnicity, marital status, religion, social class, and pregnancy and contraceptive history, to help high risk populations with special programming. Male involvement is conspicuous by its absence. The issue of human cloning drew a lot of opposition. Ms Cherrylyn Dudley, a South African Christian Democrat Member of Parliament, said president W. Bush made a misleading statement that his government would fund stem cell research. She invites all Christians to join together to close all surgical clinics, which do abortion in the entire Africa. Dr Abu van Eeden said human cloning was one of the worst things man has done on earth. The scientist equates him/herself with God. South Africa smells danger in the advocates for euthanasia, who prescribe 'mercy killing' for the aged, and those they call the 'useless eaters.' Delegates from Guadalupe Association of Zimbabwe spoke against the UN Summit document on Children Rights, which is outlining in several parts that children should have the right to reproductive health (the right to use contraceptives and access to abortion.) The International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPF) is the world's most powerful promoter of abortion and contraception.

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A common advert in Johannesburg. Your correspondent Diston
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27/05/02

On 27th May, 2002, I visited a certain place where some men were drinking 'Kachaso' at D___ Township in C___, when I visited the place I found some men who were also drinking and they were discussing some issues concerning Aids, and one man said that Aids was created in the United States of America in order to depopulate the Africans and their after occupy the continent. Three other elder men came up with their common idea by saying that Aids is what they earlier know as 'kanyela' and the people of today has named it Aids. They franklily said that Aids is 'Kanyela' and that Aids is the English, name for 'Kanyela'. Their discussions ended when two of them left for their homes after a short chat.

30/05/02

On 30th May, 2002, I and my brother visited a *bawo* playing team at D___, C___. And while there, there came some who joined us so that we were up to 6 men altogether. Among us, there was another guy who is working as a motor mechanic there at D___ and he was playing the game at that time and his friend known as Silli saw some condoms inside the mechanic's shirt pocket and he pulled them out of the pocket and he said you are moving with these Chishango condoms so that you can use them when you find a sexual partner and he agreed, he said that he couldn't be shy to have some condoms in his pockets because even on the radio, they do advertise the use of condoms. One man who is named Mr.Kekala said that "You don't have to boast of having condoms in your pockets so that you make us to think that you do use them while you are fooling your self because you can't use them all the time you can be having sex with your sexual partner, one day you will forget about using them and you will at that time catch the infection and you will be shy when we will be coning to see you at the hospital when you will be admitted in the TB ward, and we will remind you of having the condoms and what'll be the result though you are moving with some condoms." Mr. Kekala further said, "moreover there is the fluids that are applied to those condoms and

those fluids do make you develop some sores on your genital organ when you are used to condoms use.” And someone whom I don’t know his name said that the sores do develop when you use the expired condoms, he further said that it is advised to check the expiry date before you use the condoms. That story ended here and the rest of us did not give any ideas, we just got what the two men were saying about what they know about condoms.

29th May 2002

The Former South African President Nelson Mandela watered a memorial tree he planted at Sun ‘n’ Sand Resort in N___ as a guest of honour of the Rotary International District 9210 assembly and conference. During the function, Mandela, who was presented with the Paul Harris Greatest Son of Africa Award, told delegates to the meeting opened by president Bakili Muluzi that the war against Hiv/Aids cannot be won if parents are not open with their children in talking about the pandemic. During his speech, Mandela told the delegates that they must stop the tendency of hiding the true information to their children. He said that there are some children who do ask their parents about where they (children) came from, and the parents to respond to this by telling their children that they gathered them on the river banks. He said that this is not good, and he said that parents should be open with their children by openly telling them that they got them through sex. “In so doing, the children will be afraid of sex as they will know that they can have unexpected babies if they have premarital sex.” Said Mandela “You have to mention sex as sex to your children, I don’t mind whether you do mention this or not, but I have to say this myself!” shouted Mandela. Mandela cited the use of condoms as one of the protective measures children must be taught if human kind is to be saved from the scourge. Nation 25-26/05/02.

The prisoners are spreading AIDS:

Pretoria: The government of South Africa has set a team of experts to search/examine the prisoner who are spreading Aids to their prisonmates. The reports are saying that out of 10,000 prisoners 4, 000 among them are being Hiv/Aids infected. Channel Africa/ZBC
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YOUNG AND FREE: WHICH IS WHICH –

Can you marry someone who is saying he or she is Hiv positive? Responses: (1) I don’t think it is proper to marry someone who is Hiv positive because it means that you have to avoid having children. The Bible clearly commands us to multiply and fill the earth which means we should have children. If one partner is Hiv positive, it will be difficult to have children so the marriage should not take place. (Emmanuel Kasiya-N___). (2) If both partners are Hiv positive, there is nothing to stop them from getting married. But if only one of them is Hiv positive, it is wise and proper to avoid getting married. This will prevent the other partner from being infected with the virus. (Howard Mlozi – N___ -T___). (3) It is risky to marry someone who is Hiv positive because you can easily contract the virus from your partner. I don’t trust condoms to be very safe as they can burst. Therefore, it is better to be safe than to be sorry. Aids is incurable and we should all try to avoid contracting it. (Misheck Chunga-N___). (4) I strongly believe that true love has no boundaries. If you are truly in love, you won’t get bothered if your partner is HIV positive. However, you must sit down as a couple and agree on how you can make your marriage happy and exciting in the face of Aids. You can both go for a counseling session where you will be told how to behave in marriage. (Ester Salima-N___). (5) Most people marry because they have special goals which they want to achieve in marriage. For example, I might choose to marry someone I love because I want to settle down and have children. In that case, I would not marry someone who is HIV positive because I won’t be able to achieve my goals hence I will be frustrated. (Isaac Kambalame-N___). (6) If I am infected with HIV, it doesn’t necessarily mean that I have loose morals. There are many ways how one can contract the virus apart from having unprotected sex. As a person, I have the right to love and be loved without taking into consideration my HIV status. An HIV infected person has a desire to marry just like any other person. What is important in a relationship is love. Love conquers a lot in life. (Justin Manyungwa-A___). Weekend Nation 1-2 June 02 Next!! Would you give a second chance to someone who has disappointed you?