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3rd Degree Turns Five
Tuesday, 17 May @ 7.30pm

3rd Degree is **five years old**. And to celebrate five years on-air - it will be 3rd Degree with a difference. You have become used to investigations into corruption, abuse, racism and injustice. Well this week the birthday show will be exposing all that is good in our society. Heart-warming tales that prove there is much to be proud of in South Africa.

Half a decade of hard-hitting journalism celebrated today. The show had humble beginnings - no office, no name, no secure future. But in May 2000 3rd Degree was born and hit the screens with very modest ratings. Since then the show has taken off, quadrupled its audience and won numerous awards. With it has come a new style of television journalism in South Africa.

Presenter **Debora Patta** has become well known for her tough grilling interviews and an uncompromising style that sometimes leaves people feeling uncomfortable. But at the end of the day the success of the show is a team effort. The programme now boasts some of South Africa's brightest and best journalists.

Don't miss 3rd Degree, **Tuesday 17 May @ 7.30pm**, only on **e!**

Quote from Executive Producer, Debora Patta: "We have grown from humble beginnings. We never had an office and our first AR was 1.8. Since then we have quadrupled our ratings and won numerous awards. This is all due to an outstanding team."

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