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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL REPLY

WEDNESDAY, 19 AUGUST 2020

CLUSTER 1: PEACE AND SECURITY

★281. Mr V C Xaba (ANC) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

In light of the charge of fraud laid by the SA National Defence Force in April 2020 against the suppliers of food packs, after discovering that meals that were long past their sell-by date were given to military personnel deployed on lockdown duties, (a) have the specified suppliers been identified and blacklisted and (b) did the investigation find any collusion between the suppliers and officials of her department?

NO2272E

★266. Mr A M Shaik Emam (NFP) to ask the Minister of Police:

Whether, given all the evidence that was submitted to the SA Police Service pertaining to the matter of a certain person (name furnished), who allegedly faked his qualification and was employed by a certain department (name furnished) and received over half a million rand in remuneration and given that no arrest has been made to date despite assurances from the Hawks, he can indicate by what date such an arrest would be made; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

NO2219E

★292. Mr Q R Dyantyi (ANC) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

(a) What amount did his department set aside for the Covid-19 pandemic since 26 March 2020 to curb the spread of the coronavirus and (b) has he found that a fair, transparent and competitive bidding process was followed?

NO2285E

★311. Mr A G Whitfield (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:

With reference to the announcement made by the National Police Commissioner, Lt Gen K J Sithole, on 31 July 2020, that the SA Police Service had deployed specialised units to respond to rural safety, specifically farm attacks, what is the (a) mandate and (b) further details of each of these specialised units?

NO2310E

★268. Ms N V Mente (EFF) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

Whether, given that no reference was made to gender-based violence in his department's adjusted budget programme, he will furnish the relevant details of any new programmes for the rehabilitation of offenders of gender-based violence, with particular emphasis on rehabilitation methods to correct the behaviour of rapists and murderers of women; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NO2259E

★301. Mr X Nqola (ANC) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation:

What strategies has the Republic developed as Chair of the African Union to cushion the African continent through the Covid-19 pandemic which is testing the social, economic and political resilience of many countries in the world, especially developing countries?

NO2296E

★303. Ms W S Newhoudt-Druchen (ANC) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

What (a) number of remand detainees have been incarcerated for up to seven years without trial and (b) has he found to be the reason for this situation?

NO2301E

★309. Ms N P Peacock (ANC) to ask the Minister of Police:

Whether the Domestic Violence Register is used in the police stations; if so, how has he found that it assists in the monitoring of cases of gender-based violence?

NO2307E

★313. Mr S J F Marais (DA) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

Whether the members of the SA National Defence Force found to have been involved in the death of Mr Collins Khosa are currently on suspension; if not, why not; if so, are they earning full remuneration while on suspension?

NO2312E

★269. Dr M Q Ndlozi (EFF) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

What (a) amount of the R1,9 billion commitment made by the President of the Republic, Mr M C Ramaphosa, has been allocated to any of the Chapter 9 institutions and entities reporting to him to respond to gender-based violence and (b) will the specified amount be used for?

NO2260E

★290. Mr T N Mmutle (ANC) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

(a) What was the budgeted expenditure of Armscor during the Covid-19 pandemic to date and (b) to what extent has the transformation charter been implemented under the Covid-19 procurement process in line with the Cabinet's decision?

NO2283E

★278. Ms L L van der Merwe (IFP) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

In view of the recent violent truck driver protests, in which organisations again protested the employment of illegal migrants, what interventions and mitigating measures has his department embarked on to assist the trucking industry and other industries, which complain that due to the failure of his department to enforce its immigration policies it has led to an oversaturation of illegal migrants employed in many industries?

NO2269E

★291. Mr D L Moela (ANC) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

In light of the fact that the Auditor-General made a finding that the Automated Biometric Identification System contract was awarded irregularly for the period 2015-18 and although the contract was extended to 28 February 2020 it is still running without fulfilling some of its contractual obligations to date, what (a) are the reasons that his department extended the irregular contract and (b) amount did his department pay for services that were not rendered?

NO2284E

★326. M. Gen O S Terblanche (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:

What total number of persons died (a) as a result of any action performed by an officer of the SA Police Service (SAPS) and (b) in SAPS custody since 26 March 2020?

NO2326E

★279. Mr S N Swart (ACDP) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

Whether he intends to introduce legislation in Parliament to amend the Criminal Procedure Act, Act 51 of 1977, and any other relevant legislation, to ensure that persons who pay an admission of guilt fine for trivial offences do not incur a criminal record; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, by what date does he envisage will such legislation be tabled?

NO2270E

★297. Mr T S Mpanza (ANC) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation:

How far has her department progressed in advocating for the reform of the United Nations Security Council to ensure a wider geographical representation of all its members to reflect the current global realities?

NO2291E

★267. Mr A M Shaik Emam (NFP) to ask the Minister of Police:

Whether there have been any new developments in the case of the murder of Zakia Ismail of Weenen?

NO2220E

★306. Mr X Ngola (ANC) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

Apart from the coronavirus taking people's lives, changing their livelihood, and bringing an injustice through what has become known as coronavirus corruption to the people of the Republic, what has been the role of his department in averting and combating such heinous acts?

NO2304E

★328. Mr W Horn (DA) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

What steps has (a) the Investigating Directorate of the National Prosecuting Authority taken to speed up its investigations and prosecutions of crimes related to the Judicial Commission of Inquiry into Allegations of State Capture, Corruption and Fraud in the Public Sector including Organs of State since the amendment to the specified Commission's regulations on 28 July 2020 and (b) he taken in this regard, as a member of the Government's recently established Special Coordination Centre, to prevent, detect, investigate and prosecute Covid-19 related corruption?

NO2328E

★271. Mr W T I Mafanya (EFF) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

What total (a) amount, in addition to the R4,5 billion referred to by the President of the Republic, Mr M C Ramaphosa, in his letter of 21 April 2020, has the deployment of the SA National Defence Force (SANDF) personnel to the streets during the lockdown to curb the spread of Covid-19 cost her department and (b) number of cases of abuse of community members have been opened against SANDF soldiers?

NO2262E

★308. Ms S Patrein (ANC) to ask the Minister of Police:

Whether he has been informed of the allegations of abuse of power in instances where the Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation, the Hawks, are brought in on matters of domestic disputes, which are supposed to be attended to by the SA Police Service?

NO2306E

★280. Mr V C Xaba (ANC) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

With reference to the incident in April 2020 when one of the SA Air Force's C130 aircrafts malfunctioned on a take-off, which ruled it out of service, what (a) impact did this have on the ability of the SA Air Force to support the forces in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and (b) is the serviceability status of each of the total C130 aircraft that are now left?

NO2271E

★296. Adv B T Bongo (ANC) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

What steps does his department intend to take to assist Parliament in responding within the period of 24 months to the Constitutional Court judgment that requires Parliament to process legislation to facilitate the participation of independent candidates in the national and provincial elections?

NO2290E

★320. Adv G Breytenbach (DA) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

What total number of the (a) 19000 inmates identified to be released due to overcrowding in prisons as part of his department's response to the Covid-19 pandemic, have been released on parole and (b) specified parolees have been rearrested for reoffending and/or breaking parole conditions?

NO2320E

★274. Mrs L F Tito (EFF) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

Given that his department has recently extended the validity of expired visas for foreign nationals until the end of October 2020, what (a) total number of visas will be due for renewal by that time and (b) measures will he put in place to ensure that his department has sufficient capacity to deal with the backlog?

NO2265E

★300. Mr B S Nkosi (ANC) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation:

What steps is her department taking in response to the terrorist attacks by militants in Mozambique, which pose a security threat and have the potential to destabilise the Southern African Development Community region in general and South Africa in particular?

NO2294E

★307. Ms N H Maseko-Jele (ANC) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

With reference to the reports of alleged deeply entrenched nepotism and racism within the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) resulting in prosecutors taking a stand against their superiors and ending up in the Eastern Cape High Court in Makhanda, what is he and/or his department doing to mitigate the specified situation that poses a threat to the smooth running of the NPA?

NO2305E

★312. Mr A G Whitfield (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:

Whether he has found that all personal protective equipment and other items purchased by the SA Police Service (SAPS) in relation to the Covid-19 pandemic were (a) procured at market value and (b) not procured from any SAPS member and/or a family relative of an SAPS member; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

NO2311E

★310. Ms J M Mofokeng (ANC) to ask the Minister of Police:

With regard to the alleged rape of a toddler at the Dr George Mukhari Hospital, what (a) is the status of the case and (b) measures are put in place by the SA Police Service in collaboration with hospitals to ensure the safety of patients and particularly toddlers?

NO2308E

★282. Ms A J Beukes (ANC) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

(a) What is the ratio of combat-related generals to non-combat positions on the rank of general and (b) how does the ratio fit the force design of the SA National Defence Force?

NO2274E

★314. Mr S J F Marais (DA) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

With reference to her reply to question 1042 on 15 June 2020, what is the current status of the threat that increased insurgent activities in the Cabo Delgado province in northern Mozambique pose to the Republic?

NO2313E

★275. Mr H A Shembeni (EFF) to ask the Minister of Police:

What total amount has the former acting national police commissioner, General Kgomotso Phahlane, been paid since he was suspended from the SA Police Service in 2017?

NO2266E

★295. Mr M S Chabane (ANC) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

(a) How far has his department progressed in repositioning itself as a core security cluster department with adequate resources to enable it to achieve its vision of a modern and secure department to empower citizens and (b) how has the Covid-19 pandemic impacted on the process?

NO2289E

★299. Ms B Swarts (ANC) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation:

In spite of the Covid-19 pandemic which is placing an additional burden on already constrained resources to sustain peace on the continent, what measures has the Republic, as Chair of the African Union (AU), put in place to resolve continental conflicts, especially the implementation of the AU-identified Agenda 2063 flagship project of Silencing the Guns?

NO2293E

★302. Mr Q R Dyantyi (ANC) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

What (a) is the progress on the upgrading of the Sexual Offences Court in Khayelitsha and (b) impact has the upgrading or lack thereof had on the speedy resolution of sexual offences cases?

NO2299E

★315. Ms T A Khanyile (DA) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

Whether the Government Printing Works contracted any contractor and/or subcontractor to perform security printing; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

NO2314E

★270. Mrs T P Msane (EFF) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

With reference to the deployment of the SA National Defence Force to the Cabo Delgado province in Mozambique in 2011, with a mission on counter-piracy patrols, what information was generated by the specified patrols that can now assist with the current insurgency in Mozambique?

NO2261E

★288. Mr J J Maake (ANC) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

Whether there are any supernumerary personnel in the military and/or her department considering the maximum costs placed on the compensation of employees; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

NO2281E

★283. Ms A J Beukes (ANC) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

(a) How effective has she found the deployment of the SA National Defence Force to the border of the Republic has been and (b) what has she found its impact to have been on crime?

NO2275E

★316. Ms T A Khanyile (DA) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

What is the (a) total number of officials who attended the strategic workshop of the Government Printing Works (GPW) held during the 2019-20 financial year in Bela-Bela, Limpopo and (b) breakdown of the expenses incurred by the GPW in holding the workshop?

NO2315E

★293. Ms M A Molekwa (ANC) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

In light of the fact that the Acting Judge D M Thulare of the Western Cape High Court directed the Portfolio Committee on Home Affairs to conduct oversight over the legal unit of the Department of Home Affairs in relation to contingent liabilities which was also further expressed as a concern by the Auditor-General, what measures did he put in place to correct the matters raised by the Auditor-General?

NO2286E

★294. Ms T I Legwase (ANC) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

Whether, with regard to the initiatives for issuing smart identity cards to learners which include, but are not limited to the utilisation of mobile units, his department will expand its plans to ensure the extensive roll out of smart identity cards to learners with due consideration to the school calendar which has been disrupted?

NO2287E

★321. Adv G Breytenbach (DA) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

What total number of (a) cases have been enrolled for hearing on the court rolls in the Republic since 26 March 2020 and (b) the specified cases relate to the contravention of any regulations promulgated in terms of the Disaster Management Act, Act 57 of 2002?

NO2321E

★277. Dr M Q Ndlozi (EFF) to ask the Minister of State Security:

Whether, in light of the intensification of terrorist attacks in Mozambique, she can confirm the presence of terrorist cells in the Republic that are working with those attacking Mozambique and if there is any imminent danger of attacks by the specified groups inside the Republic; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

NO2268E

★298. Mr D L Moela (ANC) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation:

What is the status of the process of the operationalisation of the identified Agenda 2063 flagship project, the African Continental Free Trade Area, which is envisaged to boost intra-Africa trade as well as building a bigger continental market that will unlock industrial and infrastructure development in Africa?

NO2292E

★323. Mr M Waters (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:

What is the current status of the investigation into CAS 122/08/2018 which was opened at the Sebenza Police Station?

NO2323E