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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL REPLY

WEDNESDAY, 14 NOVEMBER 2018

CLUSTER 1: PEACE AND SECURITY

★277. Ms R M M Lesoma (ANC) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation:

With reference to her meeting with her counterpart, Mr Abdelkader Messahel, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, who was on a working visit to South Africa on 29 August 2018, what (a) matters of national importance were discussed in the meeting and (b) matters are envisaged to be discussed in future between the country and Algeria?

NO3784E

★252. Mr M H Hoosen (DA) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

Whether, in light of the irregularities surrounding the naturalisation of the members of the Gupta family, he now intends to revoke the citizenship of any of the members of the specified family in line with section 8 of the SA Citizenship Act, Act 88 of 1995? NO3757E

★276. Ms M A Molebatsi (ANC) to ask the Minister of Police:

With reference to the specialised anti-gang intervention unit that was recently deployed in the hot-spot areas across the Cape Flats in order to make a meaningful impact on the high incidence of gang violence, (a) what are the details of the plan that he has put in place to ensure that gangs that have been operating for the past 50 years will be successfully disrupted and (b) how will he ensure that possible collusion between gang leaders and members of the dedicated investigative capacity is prevented? NO3783E

★284. Mr D M Gumede (ANC) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

With regard to the decision of the Supreme Court of Appeal in the matter between the *Minister of Home Affairs and Others v Fireblade Aviation Proprietary Limited and Others (13/2016) [2018] ZASCA 46 (28 March 2018)*, what agreements are put in place to ensure that, in complying with the judgment, services rendered by his department to Fireblade Aviation are paid for? NO3792E

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

Whether he has engaged with the Acting National Director of Public Prosecutions with regard to establishing a properly resourced task team to deal with the revelations relating to state capture emanating from the Judicial Commission of Inquiry to Inquire into Allegations of State Capture, Corruption and Fraud in the Public Sector including Organs of State, chaired by Deputy Chief Justice Raymond Zondo, the Nugent Commission of Inquiry into the SA Revenue Service and any other relevant forum; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NO3769E

★279. Mrs M R M Mothapo (ANC) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

In view of the instability that was evident in the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) and the appointment by the President of the Republic, Mr M C Ramaphosa, of a panel to advise on the appointment of a National Director of Public Prosecutions in line with the commitment of the President made in his maiden State of the Nation Address, what are the details of the role played by his department in bringing stability in the NPA? NO3787E

★281. Mrs M R M Mothapo (ANC) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

- (1) What progress has been made in advancing access to the building of the Mpumalanga High Court, following his statement in the Debate on Vote No 18 – Justice and Correctional Services, Appropriation Bill in Parliament on 17 May 2018, that the construction of the specified building is 97% complete and that the challenges regarding access to the building are being attended to;

- (2) what maintenance plan does his department have regarding the infrastructure upgrades of other courts, with specific reference to the Limpopo High Court? NO3789E

★260. Ms D Kohler (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:

Whether he will take any action against a certain official (details furnished) for allegedly refusing Members of Parliament entry to SA Police Service stations in the province (details furnished) to conduct oversight visits; if not, why not; if so, by what date will he take action? NO3765E

★271. Ms N R Mashabela (EFF) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation:

Whether it is in the interests of South Africa and our commitment to human rights to keep the Israeli Embassy in South Africa open; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NO3777E

★280. Mr M S A Maila (ANC) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

With reference to the Government's commitment to turn prisons into correctional centres for the rehabilitation of offenders, what are the details of the progress made by his department in terms of skills development of inmates to prepare them for life after incarceration? NO3788E

★290. Ms S J Nkomo (IFP) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

In view of the Tlokwe judgment in 2016 which indicated that 18% of eligible persons had not registered to vote and the Independent Electoral Commission's admission that it had managed to capture the addresses of 82% of registered voters on the voters roll, (a) by what date and (b) how will the situation be rectified? NO3800E

★292. Mr A M Shaik Emam (NFP) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation:

What are the details of the (a) plan and (b) progress made in downgrading the South African embassy in Israel to a liaison office? NO3802E

★282. Mr D M Gumede (ANC) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

In view of the adoption of the new international migration policy, what progress has the Government made in adopting a more open approach to skilled migration in order to lure high-skilled migrants into our economy? NO3790E

★287. Mr F Beukman (ANC) to ask the Minister of Police:

Whether any progress has been made with the implementation of the re-introduction of specialised units in the SA Police Service as envisaged in the National Development Plan; if so, what are the relevant details? NO3795E

★256. Mr S Mokgalapa (DA) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation:

What (a) is the Government's position in respect of alleged human rights abuses in the Anglophone region of the Republic of Cameroon and (b) steps has the Government taken to highlight the alleged abuses in international fora? NO3761E

★283. Mr H P Chauke (ANC) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

Following concerns raised in the report of the Portfolio Committee on Home Affairs regarding vacant unfunded positions and vacant funded positions that are not filled at the high-level provincial management structure in the Eastern Cape, what steps have been taken or will be taken by his department in strengthening the capacity of state administration in ensuring that the State attracts capable managers and fills vacancies in his department that provides services at provincial level? NO3791E

★285. Mr G J Skosana (ANC) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

What (a) is the role of the SA National Defence Force (SANDF) as an instrument of nation-building in all three spheres of Government and (b) professional support does the SANDF provide to the three spheres of Government? NO3793E

★262. Mr D J Stubbe (DA) to ask the Minister of State Security:

(a) What is the progress regarding the investigation into the pension fund of a certain company (name and details furnished) which was intended for, inter alia, employees of the State Security Agency and (b) whether she has been informed of any prosecutions that will be instituted following the findings of the investigation? NO3767E

★289. Mr J J Maake (ANC) to ask the Minister of Police:

What progress has been made with the implementation of the seven-point plan of the project of the criminal justice system which was intended to electronically enable the integration of the end-to-end criminal justice system process through technology solutions and to manage interdepartmental information exchange? NO3798E

★278. Ms T E Kenye (ANC) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation:

- (1) What are the key outcomes that South Africa was pursuing by attending the Singapore-Sub-Saharan High Level Ministerial Exchange which took place on 27 and 28 August 2018;
- (2) what support did she receive during her participation in the Africa-Singapore Business Forum given that it is the premier platform for business exchange and fostering trade and investment between Africa and Asia? NO3785E

★259. Mr Z N Mbhele (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:

What measures are being implemented to address understaffing and underresourcing at station level, in order to ensure that SA Police Service stations are adequately capacitated to respond effectively to the dynamic and real-time crime-combating needs of different communities?

NO3764E

★269. Mrs H O Mkhali (EFF) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

What efforts has the Independent Electoral Commission made to ensure that all prisoners in South Africa's correctional service facilities are registered to vote?

NO3775E

★286. Mrs N B Dambuza (ANC) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

(a) What are the details of the role of the armed forces in the defence of the national sovereignty and territorial integrity and (b) does the role include support in peace keeping and maintaining good international relations?

NO3794E

★291. Ms S J Nkomo (IFP) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

In view of the court judgment on 27 October 2017 that Fireblade Aviation is operating without a signed agreement with his department, by what date will the specified agreement be signed?

NO3801E

★288. Mr F Beukman (ANC) to ask the Minister of Police:

Whether the implementation of the turnaround strategy in the Crime Intelligence Division is on track; if so, what are the relevant details?

NO3796E

★258. Ms S V Kalyan (DA) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation:

Whether the Government has engaged with the Government of Saudi Arabia following the recent reports by the Republic of Turkey relating to the alleged murder of Mr Jamal Khashoggi; if so, will the Government continue with bilateral investment relations with Saudi Arabia in light of sustained reports of alleged human rights abuses taking place in Saudi Arabia?

NO3763E

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

Given that her department has one of the highest ratios of senior officers and senior management service employees to middle and junior employees, on what grounds does she justify the continued increase in the number of senior positions being advertised and filled at the expense of the much needed middle and junior level positions, military equipment and the country's defence capabilities in general?

NO3759E

★255. Mr S Esau (DA) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

Whether the SA National Defence Force (SANDF) is considering to use cyber technology and unmanned aerial vehicles to bolster its reconnaissance and early-warning capabilities while patrolling our borders; if so, (a) by what date will a cyber strategy be developed and (b) will the SANDF consider co-operation agreements with other countries with spare cyber technology capacity?

NO3760E

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

Whether he advised and/or briefed the President, Mr M C Ramaphosa, with regard to any aspect of the Commission of Inquiry into the fitness of Ms N Jiba and Mr L Mrwebi to hold office; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

NO3768E

★251. Mr M S Shackleton (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:

What is the current status of the investigation into CAS289/10/2018 which was opened at Temba Police Station?

NO3756E

★268. Mr S P Mhlongo (EFF) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

(a) What amount did her department pay towards the 2017 Umkhonto weSizwe Military Veterans Association conference and (b) who were the service providers?

NO3773E

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

Whether the SA National Defence Force has taken any steps to provide extra training to its members and reallocate financial resources and equipment to prepare for deployment to assist the SA Police Service to ensure public order is maintained during the 2019 General Elections; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

NO3758E

★257. Mr S Mokgalapa (DA) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation:

Whether the Government will participate in any capacity in the upcoming elections in the Democratic Republic of the Congo to ensure that the elections are free, fair and credible; if so, what are the relevant details?

NO3762E

★261. Ms D Kohler (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:

(a) On what statutory grounds were the 13 so-called Chinese community police co-operation centres established around the country and (b) what is the status of the police centres?

NO3766E

★270. Mrs H O Mkhali (EFF) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

What (a) number of Home Affairs offices have been closed in the past six months and (b) are the reasons for the closure of the offices?

NO3776E

★265. Mr J Selfe (DA) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

What number of meetings of the Anti-Corruption Task Team have taken place since 2 November 2016? NO3770E

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

What progress has been made with the establishment of a judicial-led court administration model since he was appointed to his current position in May 2014? NO3771E

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

What is the status of the process to re-establish the Special Tribunal dealing with the civil litigation of the Special Investigative Unit? NO3772E

★272. Adv T E Mulaudzi (EFF) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

What steps has he taken to integrate all 11 official languages in the documentation used in our justice system, particularly in court judgments? NO3778E

★273. Adv T E Mulaudzi (EFF) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

Whether he is considering institutionalising other forms of corrective justice to prevent the criminalisation of those who are arrested for petty crimes and who should not be incarcerated with hardened criminals; if so, what are the relevant details? NO3779E

★274. Mr S P Mhlongo (EFF) to ask the Minister of Police:

What efforts are being made by the SA Police Service to protect communities in Mpembeni from alleged harassment by multinational corporations? NO3780E

★275. Ms L Mathys (EFF) to ask the Minister of State Security:

Has the Minister of Home Affairs requested her department to investigate the interception of his communications? NO3782E

CLUSTER 1: PEACE AND SECURITY

Questions standing over from Wednesday, 7 March 2018:

★18. Mr M H Hoosen (DA) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

How many foreign nationals were granted South African citizenship since 1 April 2017? NO510E

★41. Mrs H O Mkhali (EFF) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

What steps is his department taking to address the chaos at the Durban office of Home Affairs where persons stand in queues for long hours and others stand in the queues in order to sell their positions?

NO534E

CLUSTER 4: ECONOMICS

Questions standing over from Wednesday, 31 October 2018 in accordance with Rules 144(1)(a) and placed in accordance with Rule 144(2)(b):

★168. Ms N W A Mazzone (DA) to ask the Minister of Public Enterprises:

What is the current level of days left of coal stockpiles for each of the country's critical coal power stations?

NO3375E

★189. Ms D Z Rantho (ANC) to ask the Minister of Public Enterprises:

(a) How is the Government dealing with the challenges facing the national power utility Eskom, which are largely due to maintenance backlogs and not generating enough cash to cover its costs and (b) what measures are in place to stabilise Eskom, in order for it to deliver electricity to the people and power to the economy?

NO3396E