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**QUESTION 1594**

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**1594. Mr S P Mhlongo (EFF) to ask the Minister of Police:**

Whether his department investigated the claims that were internationally reported by *Al Jazeera,* that a certain person (name and details furnished) is involved in rhino poaching; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**REPLY:**

Yes, the matter was investigated by Serious Organised Crime, per Enquiry No. 19/11/2016.

There is no evidence linking the person (name and details furnished) to rhino poaching activities.