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**QUESTION 2086**

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**2086. Mr S P Mhlongo (EFF) to ask the Minister of Police:**

Whether (a) his department and/or (b) any entities reporting to him are funding, including by way of discretionary funding, any institution of research and development (i) domestically and/or (ii) internationally; if so, (aa)(aaa) what are the names of the specified institutions and (bbb) what are their functions, (bb) from what date has his department or any entity reporting to him been funding them and (cc) what amount has his department contributed towards such funding?

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**REPLY:**

(a)(i)(ii)(aa)(aaa)(bbb)(bb)(cc) The South African Police Service (SAPS), is not currently funding any institution of research and development, domestically and/or internationally.

It is, however, of importance to note the existence of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), which was concluded on 18 February 2014, between the SAPS and the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR). The MOA was realised, as a result of the need by the SAPS to access scientific and engineering expertise. This was to support both the operational and strategic components, in responding to the strategic objectives and priorities of the SAPS, which includes the modernisation of various aspects of policing. This is based on a quotation basis for a specific service, when requested.

(b) For a reply by the entities reporting to the Minister of Police.