

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FOR ORAL REPLYQUESTION 312

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

- (1) Whether he has commissioned any studies and/or investigations into the decentralisation of policing services in the Republic; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether he intends to commission any such studies and/or investigations; if so, by which date will such studies and/or investigations be commissioned?

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REPLY:

- (1) No. Section 205(1) of the Constitution, 1996, stipulates that the South African Police Service (SAPS) is structured to function in the national, provincial and local spheres of government (district and station). In terms of section 207(2) of the Constitution of Republic of South Africa, 1996, the National Commissioner is responsible for exercising control over and managing the SAPS, in accordance with the national policing policy and the direction of the relevant member of the Cabinet.
- (2) No. There is no need identified at present for an alternative approach to the structuring of the SA Police Service.

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**MINISTER OF POLICE
 GENERAL BH CELE, MP**

Date: 29/08/2022