**MINISTRY OF MINERAL RESOURCES**

**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

 **NA QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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1014. Adv H C Schmidt (DA) to ask the Minister of Mineral Resources:**

Whether his department has granted any mining company (a) license(s) and/or (b) permit(s) to conduct (i) exploration and/or (ii) mining and/or (iii) any other activities in the archaeological site of Canteen Kopje in the Northern Cape; if not, what steps will he take to stop such activities from taking place at the specified archaeological site; if so, under what conditions were the approval(s) granted? NW1146E

**Reply**

The legality, lawfulness or otherwise of the activity in question is currently the subject of legal proceedings before the Northern Cape High Court. The Department's further conduct in this matter will be guided by the outcome of these legal proceedings

Approved/not approved

**Mr MJ Zwane, MP

Minister of Mineral Resources

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