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**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**1030. Ms L L van der Merwe (IFP) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

Whether, with reference to the Deputy Director-General (DDG): Civic Service of the Department of Home Affairs reporting to the Portfolio Committee on Social Development on 2 March 2022 that copies of 2018 *Naki v Director General Home Affairs* judgment and the 2021 Centre for Child Law v Director General: Department of Home Affairs and Others judgment, both regarding unmarried fathers, had been sent to all the local offices of her department and the DDG further advising that her department had revised their Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) to allow for unmarried fathers the right to register their children’s births in the absence of the mother, she will furnish Ms L L van der Merwe with a copy of the (a) letter sent to local offices of her department in which she communicated the judgments and their impact on protocols and procedures going forward and (b) revised SOP; if not, why not; if so, on what date? NW1277E

**REPLY:**

Please refer to my reply to parliamentary question 1029 on the same subject.