**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION No. 1052**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Mrs V van Dyk (DA) to ask the Minister of Sports, Arts and Culture:**

(1) Whether he has been informed of any coaches who have been charged with sexual misconduct against players of Netball South Africa (Netball SA) in any province in the past three financial years; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (a) are there any outstanding cases and (b) what are the further relevant details;

(2) whether he was informed of an incident of sexual misconduct involving a KwaZulu-Natal coach in 2018; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, where did the incident allegedly occur;

(3) whether there was any formal complaint that was lodged against the specified KwaZulu-Natal coach; if so, (a) who lodged the complaint, (b) what legal steps were initiated and (c) what action was taken by Netball SA in this regard? NW1342E

**REPLY**

The Minister has not been informed of any coaches who have been charged with sexual misconduct against players of Netball South Africa.

The Minister has not been informed of an incident of sexual misconduct involving a KwaZulu-Natal coach in 2018.

The Minister is not aware of any formal complaint that was lodged against the KwaZulu-Natal coach.

These are matters of conduct of the members of the federations which invariably make them administrative in nature. Therefore, fall within the ambit of the Federation to deal with. However as with any case of sexual misconduct, the Ministry condemn any such behaviour and urge the federations to take appropriate action to protect athletes and all involved in sport.