###### National Assembly

###### Question Number: 1292

**1292. Ms V van Dyk (DA) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

(a) What is the total number of examiners of vehicles in the Eastern Cape who have been convicted of issuing fraudulent certificates of road worthiness and continue to practice as examiners, (b) why have the specified examiners not been charged and arrested and (c) by what date will they be arrested and charged? NW1434E

**REPLY:**

It is difficult to report on the statistics relating to convictions of examiners due to the prolonged period it takes to finalise a case; and due to the fact that once a case has been opened with the South African Police Service (SAPS), they must conduct investigations and ultimately prepare the docket for the Department of Justice to prosecute. Therefore a case may take much longer than expected to be finalised. This involves arms of government other than the Department of Transport.

(a) The Eastern Cape Province reported that one examiner was convicted and is still practicing (Case no 217/ 1 /2016 Cradock Magistrate Court). The reason for continuation is that the Department is waiting for the response of the accused. A suspension letter was issued to him and signed by him on 08 May 2017. He was given 21 days to respond and this will end on the 02 June 2017.

(b) See above (a)

(c) See above (b)