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**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 1340**

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**1340. Mr S C Motau (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:**

(1) What number of (a) civil claims were instituted and (b) judgments were granted against his department as a result of public order policing actions (i) in the (aa) 2014-15, (bb) 2015-16 and (cc) 2016-17 financial years and (ii) since 1 April 2017;

(2) what total amount has his department (a) paid out to successful litigants and (b) spent on legal fees in the specified cases?

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**REPLY:**

The Division: Operational Response Services (ORS) consists of Public Order Policing, Border Policing, Mobilisation Support, Specific Operations and National Operations Coordination. The detail below, is for the entire Division, as the system only makes provision for Divisions and Provinces.

(1)(a)(aa)(bb)(cc) and (ii) Number of claims registered/instituted:

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| **FINANCIAL YEAR** | **NUMBER OF CLAIMS REGISTERED/INSTITUTED** |
| (aa) 2014/2015 | 25 |
| (bb) 2015/2016 | 36 |
| (cc) 2016/2017 | 38 |
| (ii) 2017-04-01 until  2017-05-31 | 8 |

(1)(b)(aa)(bb)(cc) and (ii) Number of judgments:

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| **FINANCIAL YEAR** | **NUMBER OF JUDGMENTS** |
| (aa) 2014/2015 | 4 |
| (bb) 2015/2016 | 18 |
| (cc) 2016/2017 | 18 |
| (ii) 2017-04-01 until  2017-05-31 | 0 |

(2)(a) Amounts paid (inclusive of settlements and judgments):

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| **FINANCIAL YEAR** | **AMOUNTS PAID** |
| 2014/2015 | R260 520,00 |
| 2015/2016 | R1 111 887,80 |
| 2016/2017 | R1 028 341,96 |
| 2017-04-01 until 2017-05-31 | R0,00 |

(2)(b) Legal costs are paid by the Department of Justice (DOJ). The DOJ does not break down the global monthly reimbursement claims, it is therefore not possible to indicate the specific legal costs paid for the relevant Division: ORS, for the specified periods.