

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FOR WRITTEN REPLY**QUESTION 1488**

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1488. Dr P J Groenewald (FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Police:

- (1) What specialist units, except for the Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation, are functional and operational within the SA Police Service at present;
- (2) whether he intends to establish more specialist units; if not, why not; if so, in what fields of speciality;
- (3) whether he will make a statement on the matter?

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REPLY:

- (1) The following specialised units, except for the Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation (DPCI), are functional and operational within the South African Police Service:

Visible Policing and Operations (National level)

- Veterinary Services
- Railway Unit
- Air Wing
- Public Order Policing (POP) Reserve Unit
- National Special Task Force
- National Intervention Unit
- Mobile Operations
- Border Policing
- Tactical Response Team

Visible Policing and Operations (Provincial level)

- 10111 Call Centre
- Accident Combating Unit/Accident Response Team
- Flying Squad
- Canine (K9) Unit

- Mounted Unit
- Vehicle Safeguarding Section
- Stepping Stones (One Stop Youth Centre)
- POP
- Tactical Response Team
- Anti-Gang Unit

Protection and Security Services (National level)

- Very Important Person (VIP) Protection
- Static Protection

Detective Service (National level)

- National Investigation Unit
- Anti-Corruption Investigation Unit

Detective Service (Provincial level)

- Murder and Robbery Investigation Unit
- Provincial Investigation Unit
- Taxi Violence Investigation Unit
- Tracking Team
- Anti-Gang Investigation Unit
- Organised Crime Investigation Unit
- Commercial Crime Investigation Unit
- Cold Case Investigation Unit
- Anti-corruption Unit
- Family Violence, Child Protection and Sexual Offences Unit
- Stock Theft and Endangered Species Unit
- Vehicle Crime Investigation Unit

Forensic Services (National level)

- Local Criminal Record Centre
- Explosives Unit
- SAPS Criminal Record Academy

(2) Yes, the following are under consideration:

Visible Policing and Operations (Provincial level)

- o Water Policing and Diving Services (Primary instead of secondary function)
- o Hostage Negotiation (Primary instead of secondary function)
- o Motorbike capability
- o Highway Patrol
- o Illicit Mining capability
- o Economic Infrastructure Unit (EIU)

(3) Some of the work study reports have been finalised and will soon be presented for consideration and/or approval. A statement will be made, once the approval for the establishment of the proposed units has been finalised.

Reply to question 1488 recommended/~~not recommended~~


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Reply to question 1488 approved/~~not approved~~


MINISTER OF POLICE
GENERAL BH CELE, MP

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