**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION NO: 1608**

**DATE OF QUESTION: 28 MAY 2021**

**DATE OF QUESTION: 04 JUNE 2021**

**Mr J Selfe (DA) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:**

1. What total number of reports did the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) receive from the Special Investigating Unit (SIU) concerning allegations of crimes committed by a certain person (name furnished) and other unspecified officials of his department;
2. whether the NPA has instituted criminal charges against any persons as a result of the SIU reports; if not, (a) why not and (b) what action will the NPA take based on the reports; if so, (i) who has been charged, (ii) what type of charges have been laid and (iii) on what date is it envisaged that the trial(s) will commence?

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**REPLY:**

1. During March 2020, the Special Investigating Unit (SIU) referred the matter directly to the Asset Forfeiture Unit (AFU) Head Office. The matter was referred to the AFU Durban as it falls within the jurisdiction of that office.
2. There is currently no criminal case registered with the South African Police Service (SAPS) in this matter. However, the AFU in Durban is engaging with the Directorate for Priority Crime Investigations (DPCI): Anti-Corruption, with a view to initiate a criminal investigation on the matter. It should be noted that the SIU is also involved in disciplinary proceedings brought against the person by the Department of Correctional Services.