###### National Assembly

Question Number: 166

**Ms S P Kopane (DA) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

(a) How long after the arrival of a vehicle into South Africa from abroad does a person have to register such a vehicle locally and

(b) what are the penalties if a specified person does not comply with the timeframe to register a vehicle from abroad and continues to drive the specified vehicle on the roads of the Republic? NW166E

**REPLY**

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| (a). | Regulation 7 of the National Road Traffic Act; 1996 (Act No. 93 of 1996) states:  “liability for the registration of a motor vehicle shall arise -in the case of a motor vehicle to be registered for the first time in the Republic - if the motor vehicle was acquired outside the Republic, on the date on which such motor vehicle is brought into the Republic or on the date on which such motor vehicle is cleared in terms of the customs and excise legislation, if applicable”. |
| (b). | The penalties in terms of operating a vehicle on a public road which is not registered and licenced varies from each magisterial area to the other  In addition, I recommend that the honourable member report to the relevant authorities an incident of this matter where he/she knows thereof. |