**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY QUESTION 1580**

**36/1/4/1(202000202)**

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**1680. Mrs C Phillips (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:**

What are the full relevant details pertaining to CAS 08/04/2014 which emanates from a complaint that was laid by a certain person (name furnished) at the Swartruggens Police Station in terms of section (1)(i) and (j) of the National Water Act, Act 36 of 1998 on 8 April 2014;

whether any investigation into the matter has been conducted as it appears that no investigation has been conducted and no arrests were made; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details of the investigation;

what are the reasons that no arrests have been made? NW2070E

**REPLY:**

The case docket, Swartruggens, CAS 08/04/2014, was opened against the Kgetleng Municipality and the Department of Water Affairs, after a damaged pipe caused raw sewerage to flow in the streets, in the business centre of Swartruggens.

The investigation in the case docket was finalised and linked with three other cases, due to the similar nature of the complaints and were referred to the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP), in Mahikeng, on 13 August 2015, for a decision.

The case dockets were received back from the DPP, on 13 August 2016, with a directive to obtain additional statements.

On 9 February 2017, the case dockets were referred back to the DPP and received back from the office of the DPP, in August 2020. There are currently two warning statements outstanding, which are in the process of being obtained.

As soon as the two warning statements have been obtained, the case dockets will be returned to the DPP, for a decision on prosecution.

Reply to question 1680 recommended

**GENERAL NATIONAL COMMISSIONER: SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE SERVICE
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Reply to question 1680 approved

**MINISTER OF POLICE
GENERAL BH CELE, MP
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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN REPLY

Question Asked By:

Question Asked To:

Mrs C Phillips Minister of Police

Question:

1.On 08 April 2014, e complaint was laid by FW Kelder in terms of the National Water act 36 of 199B sec (1) (i) and (j). The case number being 08/04/20124

Once again it appears that no investigation has taken place and no arrests made.

Please can the minister provide any and all information pertaining to this case and give reasons why no arrests have been made. (Copies of the document are available)

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