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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION NO: 1684**

**DATE OF QUESTION: 19 AUGUST 2016**

**DATE OF SUBMISSION: 01 SEPTEMBER 2016**

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

(1) Whether certain offenders (names and details furnished) at the Mangaung Correctional Services Facility have been placed in single cells for more than 60 days at a time during their incarceration; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (a) why and (b) when will the specified offenders be moved to regular cells;

(2) Whether the two specified offenders qualify to be transferred to correctional services facilities in the City of Cape Town and surrounds, which is close to their families who wish to assist in their rehabilitation; if not, in each case, why not; if so, in each case, what processes should be followed?

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**REPLY**

1. No.

(1) (a) The offender in question was not segregated for more than 60 days. He was segregated on 12 August 2016 after he stabbed officials at Mangaung Correctional Centre. The offender was in segregation for 7 days which expired on 19 August 2016 and will be reviewed.

(1) (b) No, the offender was never segregated.

1. The first mentioned offender stabbed officials at Mangaung Correctional Centre and the matter is under investigation. Therefore, he does not qualify to be transferred to other centres at this stage. The second offender did apply for a transfer. However, due to his security classification, he does not qualify for a transfer.