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**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 1684**

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**1684. Ms J Edwards (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:**

How many drug-busting operations were conducted by the (a) SA Police Service and/or (b) Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation at the (i) Witdraai, (ii) Kenhardt, (iii) Belmont, (iv) Douglas, (v) Vioolsdrif, (vi) Onseepkans, (vii) Brandvlei and (viii) Loeriesfontein police stations in the Northern Cape in each of the past 10 financial years?

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**REPLY:**

a) The total number of operations targeting illicit drugs conducted, during the specified period, by the South African Police Service (SAPS) in the Northern Cape is as follows:

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| **NUMBER OF OPERATIONS TARGETING ILLICIT DRUGS CONDUCTED AT THE STIPULATED STATIONS IN THE NORTHERN CAPE** |
| **STATION NAME** | **2007 / 2008** | **2008 / 2009** | **2009 / 2010** | **2010/2011** | **2011/ 2012** | **2012/ 2013** | **2013/ 2014** | **2014/ 2015** | **2015/ 2016** | **2016/ 2017** |
| 1. Witdraai
 | 33 | 27 | 782 | 832 | 868 | 299 | 82 | 68 | 70 | 89 |
| 1. Kenhardt
 | 0 | 14 | 35 | 28 | 56 | 392 | 119 | 68 | 122 | 59 |
| 1. Belmont
 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 32 | 57 |
| 1. Douglas
 | 35 | 292 | 240 | 215 | 217 | 247 | 248 | 162 | 89 | 392 |
| 1. Vioolsdrif
 | 18 | 29 | 268 | 362 | 802 | 373 | 42 | 43 | 110 | 151 |
| 1. Onseepkans
 | 8 | 2 | 408 | 460 | 438 | 431 | 436 | 35 | 301 | 195 |
| 1. Brandvlei
 | 1 | 3 | 38 | 172 | 90 | 39 | 28 | 22 | 37 | 126 |
| 1. Loeriesfontein
 | 22 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 16 | 392 | 34 | 23 | 55 | 106 |

(b) The Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation (DPCI) was established in 2009 under SA Police Service Amendment Act 57 of 2008, as amended SAPS 10 of 2012, the reply provided is, therefore, a consolidation of the last eight financial years.

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| **NUMBER OF OPERATIONS TARGETING ILLICIT DRUGS CONDUCTED AT THE STIPULATED STATIONS BY DPCI**  |
| **STATION NAME** |  |
| 1. Witdraai
 | 0 |
| 1. Kenhardt
 | 0 |
| 1. Belmont
 | 0 |
| 1. Douglas
 | 0 |
| 1. Vioolsdrif
 | 3 |
| 1. Onseepkans
 | 0 |
| 1. Brandvlei
 | 0 |
| 1. Loeriesfontein
 | 0 |