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**QUESTION 1808**

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**1808. Mr S P Mhlongo (EFF) to ask the Minister of Police:**

(1) Which entities reporting to him (a) have a board in place and (b) do not have a board in place, (i) of those that have a board, (aa) when was each individual board member appointed and (bb) when is the term for each board lapsing and (ii) how many (aa) board members are there in each board and (bb) of those board members of each entity are female;

(2) with reference to entities that do not have boards in place, (a) who is responsible for appointing the board and (b) when will a board be appointed?

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**REPLY:**

(1)(a) The **Private Security Industry Regulatory Authority (PSIRA)** is governed by a Council, which is equivalent to a Board. The Council is appointed under section 6 of the Private Security Industry Regulation Act, 2001 (Act No. 56 of 2001), by the Minister of Police, in consultation with Cabinet.

(1)(i)(aa) and (bb)

- Chairperson of the Council appointed on 19 April 2015 until 20 April 2018, for a period of three (3) years.

- Deputy Chairperson of the Council appointed on 1 January 2017 until 31 December 2020, for a period of three (3) years.

- 3 (Three) Members of the Council appointed on 1 January 2017 until 31 December 2020, for a period of three (3) years.

(1)(ii)(aa) and (bb)

The Council has five (5) members as prescribed by the Private Security Industry Regulation Act, 2001, of which three (3) are males and two (2) are females.

(1)(a) The Minister of Police is empowered under section 15V of the South African Police Service Act, 1995 (Act No. 68 of 1995), to appoint the chairperson, deputy chairperson and members on a part-time basis to the **National Forensic Oversight & Ethics Board (Oversight and Ethics Board)**. The functions of the Oversight and Ethics Board are to monitor the implementation of legislation pertaining to the use of DNA in combating crime; to advise the Minister of Police; to provide oversight over functions performed by the South African Police Service; to handle complaints relating to the use of DNA in combating crime and to make recommendations to, amongst others, the South African Police Service and the Independent Police Investigating Directorate.

(1)(i)(aa) and (bb)

Nine (9) members of the Oversight and Ethics Board were appointed on 27 January 2015 until 26 January 2020, for a period of five (5) years and one (1) member was appointed on 01 April 2016 until 31 March 2021, for a period of five (5) years.

(1)(ii)(aa) and (bb)

The Oversight and Ethics Board has ten (10) members of which eight (8) are females and two (2) males.

(1)(b) Section 10 of the South African Police Service Act, 1995, establishes the Board of Commissioners, consisting of the National and Provincial Commissioners. The functions of the board are to promote co-operation and co-ordination in the Service. The board is presided over by the National Commissioner or his or her nominee and the board shall determine its own procedure. The **National Management Forum**, inclusive of the top management of the South African Police Service on National and Provincial level serves as the Board of Commissioners. It is, however, not a Board in the traditional sense, but an internal management and coordination mechanism.

The **Civilian Secretariat for Police** is established and regulated by the Civilian Secretariat for Police Service Act, 2011 (Act No. 2 of 2011), which Act does not provide for the appointment of a Board.

The **Independent Police Investigative Directorate (IPID)** is established and regulated by the Independent Police Investigative Directorate Act, 2011 (Act No. 1 of 2011), which Act does not provide for the appointment of a Board.

(2)(a) and (b) Not applicable.