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**QUESTION 1855**

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**1855. Mr K P Robertson (DA) to ask the Minister of Rural Development and Land Reform:**

1. With reference to the reply to question 642 on 10 April 2017 regarding the beneficiaries of Somhlolo Trust in Lothair, Mpumalanga, what (a) is the role of Government in the trust, (b) role would Government play in assisting the beneficiaries of this trust and (c) was the role of the Mpumalanga provincial government in the reply to the specified question;

(2) whether there are officials of the Mpumalanga government who are beneficiaries or trustees of the board of Somhlolo trust? **NW2065E**

**THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND LAND REFORM:**

( 1 ) (a) No role, the Trust run its own affairs.

(b) The Commission on Restitution of Land Rights together with the Trustees are currently in the process of verifying the beneficiaries again with the aim of organising an election AGM to elect new Trustees.

( c ) No role, The Commission on Restitution of Land Rights responded to some questions and other questions were responded to by the Trustees.

( 2 ) Not to our knowledge