

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FOR WRITTEN REPLY**QUESTION 1865****DATE OF PUBLICATION IN INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER: 13 MAY 2022**
(INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO 17-2022)**1865. Ms S J Graham (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:**

- (1) What (a) progress has been made with eviction of unlawful occupiers from his department's property at Excelsior Court in Durban, (b) steps are being taken to secure the building from further unlawful occupiers and (c) are his department's plans for the future use of the property;
- (2) whether his department is paying rent on the property; if not, on what date did they cease to pay rent; if so, what amount is paid in each (a) month and (b) financial year;
- (3) on what date does his department intend to begin working on the property in order to ensure that no further vandalism and/or threat to the neighbouring properties occur?

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REPLY:

- (1)(a) Currently, there are no unlawful occupiers in this building, however, there is a court case pending against all the unlawful occupiers who previously occupied this building.
- (1)(b) Members of the South African Police Service (SAPS) have been deployed to guard the building.
- (1)(c) The SAPS intends on converting this property into office accommodation for use by the SAPS.
- (2) The SAPS is not paying rent as this property is owned by the State and the custodial ownership lies with the National Department of Public Works and Infrastructure (NDPWI), whilst SAPS is the end-user.
- (3) The date for the conversion from residential into office accommodation cannot be determined as the SAPS and the NDPWI are dependent on funding and

their supply chain management processes. However, this process does not have an impact on any threats or vandalism to any of the neighbouring properties.

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**MINISTER OF POLICE
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