**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION NO. 1989**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

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**“**Mr. T. W. Mhlongo (DA) to ask the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture:

(1). Whether, with reference to his reply to question 1316 on 19 April 2022, he is now in a position to respond to whether the SA Rugby Union (SARU) was aware of the allegations of corruption against a certain official (name furnished) when they hired the specified official; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the reasons that they hired the official;

(2). whether the specified official disclosed the matter to the SARU executive council and/or board during the hiring process; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details;

(3). (a) who is paying for the legal costs in this matter, (b) for what total amount has SARU been billed in the matter as at the latest specified date and (c) on what legislative provisions and/or regulations does SARU rely to pay the legal costs as the matter pre-dates the employment of the official at the organisation? **NW2330E**

**REPLY**

**As indicated in response to question 1988 Status Quo is the same.**