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**2019. Mr W F Faber (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:**

1. Whether the primary reason of the firearm amnesty was to get illegal firearms out of circulation; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details;
2. whether the firearm amnesty provides firearm owners with an opportunity to (a) hand in unwanted firearms and (b) renew expired firearm licences; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NW2580E

**REPLY:**

1. Yes, the primary reason of the firearm amnesty was to remove illegal firearms out of circulation. A total of 44 753 illegal firearms, were handed in.
2. (2)(a) Yes, firearm amnesty provides firearm owners with an opportunity to hand in unwanted firearms.
3. (2)(b) No, in terms of Section 28(1)(a) of the Firearms Control Act(Act No. 60 of 2000), a licence terminates if it has not been renewed. The Act does not provide for the renewal of expired licences.

Reply to question 2019 recommended

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