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Mr W T I Mafanya (EFF) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

- (1) With reference to Operation Koba-Tlala, what total number of land parcels are earmarked for agricultural produce under the SA National Defence Force;
- (2) Whether the quality of the soil has been assessed to ascertain suitability for agricultural production; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

REPLY:

- (1) Project Koba-Tlala is mandated to investigate the potential for agricultural production on Defence Force land. As part of this investigation a pilot project was started at Marievale Military Base in Gauteng, in conjunction with the Gauteng Department of Agriculture, as a potential training centre for vegetable farming on a designated one-hectare piece of land. Plans are in place to identify additional Defence Force land, over the next two years, based on various feasibility studies that must still be done.
- (2) As per standard practice, tests will be conducted on all land identified for agricultural production in the future.



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