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**MINISTER**

**QUESTION NO. 2123 FOR WRITTEN REPLY: NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

A draft reply to **Mr N Singh (IFP)** to the above-mentioned question is enclosed for your consideration.

**MS LIMPHO MAKOTOKO**

**DIRECTOR-GENERAL (ACTING)**

**DATE:**

**DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED**

**MRS B E E MOLEWA, MP**

**MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS**

**DATE:**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**(For written reply)**

**QUESTION NO. 2123 {NW2436E}**

**INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO. 30 of 2016**

**DATE OF PUBLICATION: 14 October 2016**

 **Mr N Singh (IFP) to ask the Minister of Environmental Affairs:**

With regard to the trial of the alleged rhino poaching kingpin (name and details furnished), why has the syndicate of the specified person never been acknowledged at any of her department’s quarterly rhino poaching briefings presented by her? NW2436E

**2123. THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS REPLIES:**

During these media briefings, law enforcement matters are usually covered by my colleagues from the Security Cluster, particularly as it is the mandate of the South African Police Service to investigate and disrupt syndicates. Where law enforcement aspects are included in the briefings, this information is provided by the Security Cluster and there may be various reasons why sensitive information is not included.

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