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**QUESTION 2187**

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**2187. Ms T Gqada (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:**

(1) (a) What are the relevant norms and standards pertaining to the safety and security of armouries of the SA Police Service and (b) what steps are taken to ensure that armouries comply with the prescribed norms and standards;

(2) (a) how many cases of theft have been reported from police armouries (i) in the (aa) 2014-15, (bb) 2015-16 and (cc) 2016-17 financial years and (ii) since 1 April 2017 to the latest date for which information is available and (b) in each case, what are the particulars of the (i) type and (ii) quantity of weapons stolen?

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**REPLY:**

(1)(a) Norms and Standards applicable to the safety and security of Armourers in the South African Police Services are regulated in terms of SO(S) and

more specific SO(S) 21, 48, 51 and 55.

(b) In order to ensure that armouries comply with prescribed norms and

standards as stipulated in SO(S), parade inspections are conducted by immediate commanders, bi-annual inspections by appointed committee members, annual stocktaking, cycle counts, unannounced inspections, inspections by Internal Audit and Auditor General to ensure that firearms are correctly accounted for in terms of:

* Location
* Condition
* Serial number
* Competency
* Type
* Calibre

(2) aa) 2014/15

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| **NATURE OF LOSSES** | EASTERN CAPE | FREE STATE | GAUTENG | KWAZULU NATAL | LIMPOPO | MPUMALANGA | NATIONAL OFFICE | NORTH WEST | NORTHERN CAPE | WESTERN CAPE |
| THEFT OUT OF OFFICES/STORE | 5 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 8 |

bb) 2015/16

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| **NATURE OF LOSSES** | EASTERN CAPE | FREE STATE | GAUTENG | KWAZULU NATAL | LIMPOPO | MPUMALANGA | NATIONAL OFFICE | NORTH WEST | NORTHERN CAPE | WESTERN CAPE |
| THEFT OUT OF OFFICES/STORE | 8 |  | 24 | 18 |  |  | 4 | 2 | 3 |  |

cc) 2016/17

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| **NATURE OF LOSSES** | EASTERN CAPE | FREE STATE | GAUTENG | KWAZULU NATAL | LIMPOPO | MPUMALANGA | NATIONAL OFFICE | NORTH WEST | NORTHERN CAPE | WESTERN CAPE |
| THEFT OUT OF OFFICES/STORE | 3 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |

b)ii) 2014/15

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| **NATURE OF LOSSES** | EASTERN CAPE | FREE STATE | GAUTENG | KWAZULU NATAL | LIMPOPO | MPUMALANGA | NATIONAL OFFICE | NORTH WEST | NORTHERN CAPE | WESTERN CAPE |
| **STOLEN** | 90 | 13 | 120 | 144 | 45 | 41 | 70 | 25 | 13 | 41 |

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| **NATURE OF LOSSES** | EASTERN CAPE | FREE STATE | GAUTENG | KWAZULU NATAL | LIMPOPO | MPUMALANGA | NATIONAL OFFICE | NORTH WEST | NORTHERN CAPE | WESTERN CAPE |
| **STOLEN** | 79 | 29 | 148 | 163 | 35 | 33 | 80 | 24 | 6 | 33 |

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| **NATURE OF LOSSES** | EASTERN CAPE | FREE STATE | GAUTENG | KWAZULU NATAL | LIMPOPO | MPUMALANGA | NATIONAL OFFICE | NORTH WEST | NORTHERN CAPE | WESTERN CAPE |
| **STOLEN** | 70 | 28 | 96 | 147 | 30 | 30 | 78 | 34 | 6 | 28 |

2(a)(ii) Since 1 April 2017

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| **NATURE OF LOSSES** | EASTERN CAPE | FREE STATE | GAUTENG | KWAZULU NATAL | LIMPOPO | MPUMALANGA | NATIONAL OFFICE | NORTH WEST | NORTHERN CAPE | WESTERN CAPE |
| **STOLEN** | 34 | 5 | 45 | 65 | 14 | 12 | 36 | 14 | 5 | 18 |