**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY QUESTION 2194**

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**2194. Mr H A Shembeni (EFF) to ask the Minister of Police:**

Whether he has found that the Nissan NP 300 police vehicles are conducive for use by four police officers carrying rifles; if not; what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NW2459E

**REPLY:**

The South African Police Service (SAPS) must, like all other road users, adhere to the provisions of the Road Traffic Act, 1986 (Act No. 93 of 199e) and the National Road Traffic Regulations, 2000.

The National Road Traffic Regulations, 2000, issued in terms of the National Road Traffic Act, 1696, provides for the number of passengers that may be carried in a vehicle and the carriage of persons in a vehicle intended for carrying goods. It also makes provision for weight limitations, which would also apply in the case of persons being transported in the loading bay of a vehicle. Based on these provisions, a Nisaan NP 300 vehicle may only transport four persons, with or without rifles, if it is fitted with a suitable canopy or 'enclosed' in the prescribed manner, in Section 247 of the National Road Traffic Regulations, 2000.

Reply to question 2194 recommended/

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