**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION No.2252-2021**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO. 22-2021 dated 10 September 2021:**

**“Mr M M Chabangu (EFF) to ask the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture:**

(1). What steps has he taken to address the many allegations of racism within professional cricket that have been aired over the past month;

(2). whether he has engaged with Enoch Nkwe, the former assistant coach of the national cricket team, who resigned citing a toxic working environment as the reason for his resignation; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? **NW2559E**

**REPLY**

In its response CSA indicated the following;

1. CSA launched a Social Justice and Nation Building (SJN) process, headed by Adv Dumisa Ntsebeza SC (Office of the Transformation Ombudsman – OTO). Part of the process has included having public hearings where different individuals and stakeholders made oral and written submissions. CSA supports this independent process and is eagerly awaiting the report and its recommendations that will help cricket with its healing process, redress and contribute to social cohesion and nation building. Reform and transformation remain non-negotiable as a means of correcting historical imbalances.
2. CSA expects to receive the report from the OTO by end of November 2021.
3. The Board did engage Mr Nkwe and was rightfully concerned by what he had to say.
4. As a result, a Board Task Team has been formed to do a fact-finding exercise and engage with the Team (players and management) and all other relevant stakeholders. On completion of this exercise, the Task Team will report to the Board and based on their conclusion, the matter will be addressed as a matter of urgency.