###### National Assembly

###### Question Number: 2356

**Mr M S F de Freitas (DA) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

(1) With reference to the Road Traffic Management Corporation’s advertisement for traffic officers for the National Traffic Police (NTP) in October 2014, (a) why were the candidates who applied for the specified position appointed as senior inspectors, (b) what criteria were used to make the specified appointments, (c) were the specified criteria different to that advertised and (d) on what statutory grounds did the NTP rely to make the appointments;

(2) whether any incumbent traffic officers were given the opportunity to apply for the positions; if not, why not; if so, (a) how many of the incumbent traffic officers were appointed to the positions and (b) what are the further relevant details in this regard? NW2691E

**Reply**

1. (a) The appointments were made based on meeting the specified criteria

(b) The successful applicant as per the Advert had be in possession of a Basic Traffic Diploma, at least 4 years work related experience in Law Enforcement Environment. A valid proof of registration as a Traffic Officer, No previous conviction, have a Valid Driver’s License and should at least be in possession of either an Examiner of Driver’s License and or Examiner of Vehicles qualification.

(c) No

(d) The appointments were made in accordance with the appropriate legislation and policy imperatives governing the RTMC

(2) The opportunity was given to all eligible South Africans who met the requirements of the Advert.

1. It is regrettable that incumbent officers at RTMC did not apply but most incumbents in Provinces and Municipalities applied.
2. N/A