

MINISTER OF DEFENCE AND MILITARY VETERANS



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**REPLY RECOMMENDED BY:
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Ms D Kohler (DA) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

- (1) Whether she will make a submission to the panel probing the *Lady R* docking; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) who will be held accountable for the inaction of SANDF Defence Intelligence Division regarding the docking of the *Lady R* in Simon's Town, and the alleged loading and transportation of arms to Russia?

REPLY:

The inquiry to the docking of Lady R in Simon's Town has commenced, all parties are welcome to submit any forms of evidence to the panel to assist it to finalize its investigation and to bring this matter to its ultimate conclusion within its mandate.

The Department of Defence and its entities will present and submit their version of events and evidence to the panel investigating the docking of Lady R in Simon's town in 2022.

However as stated in previous public statements, No arms were loaded and transported to Russia.



(T.R. MODISE)
MINISTER OF DEFENCE AND MILITARY VETERANS: MP