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**QUESTION 2407**

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**2407. Mr D America (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:**

Has (a) the SA Police Service or (b) any investigative body or entity in his department (i) obtained and/or (ii) analysed any closed circuit television (CCTV) camera footage relating to the (aa) break-in at the Office of the Chief Justice in March 2017, (bb) break-in at the SA Broadcasting Corporation’s offices at Parliament in April 2017, (cc) break-in at the headquarters of the Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation in July 2017, (dd) break-in at the National Prosecuting Authority offices on Church Square in July 2017, (ee) robbery at the office of the Chief Prosecutor at the Pretoria Magistrate’s Court and/or (ff) break-in at an office in the National Council of Provinces in July 2017; if not, in each case, why not; if so, what are the relevant details in each case?

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**REPLY:**

(a)(b) There is a team, consisting of members from the Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation (DPCI) and the Gauteng Provincial Detectives, who are working together on the cases.

(aa)(i) Closed Circuit Television Camera (CCTV) footage was obtained, relating to the break-in at the Office of the Chief Justice, in March 2017.

(aa)(ii) Yes, the CCTV footage was analysed. One suspect was arrested and the case is remanded in court.

(bb)(i) CCTV footage was obtained, relating to the break-in at the South African Broadcasting Corporation’s (SABC) offices at Parliament, in April 2017.

(bb)(ii) Yes, the video footage was analysed, but no suspect could be identified.

(cc)(dd)(ee)(i)(ii) The CCTV camera footage was obtained, viewed and analysed, in respect of break-ins at the DPCI Head Quarters, the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) offices in, Church Street and the Chief Prosecutor’s office, in the Pretoria Magistrates Court.

The analysis led to the arrest of two suspects who broke into the offices of NPA and the Pretoria Magistrates Court. The two suspects are in custody and will appear in the Pretoria Regional Court, on 21 September 2017.

The suspects at DPCI offices were wearing balaclavas and gloves, which made it impossible to identify them positively. The Detectives are following up on clues.

(ff)(i) CCTV footage was obtained relating to the break-in at an office in the National Council of Provinces (NCOP), in July 2017.

(ff)(ii) Yes, the CCTV footage was analysed, but the quality of the image is such that the identity of the male individual could not be established.