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**QUESTION 2428**

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**2428. Mr M G P Lekota (Cope) to ask the Minister of Police:**

(1) How was a certain official (name and details furnished) appointed to a certain position (details furnished) when he was not in possession of the required security clearance certificate;

(2) has the certificate been issued in the interim; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**REPLY:**

1. The official was appointed in the position of the Western Cape’s Crime Intelligence Head, in terms of, *inter alia*, Regulation 45(9) of the South African Police Service’s Employment Regulation, 2008. Appointments to the level of Senior Management Service (SMS), such as the appointment of the official under discussion, were also at the time regulated by the National Instruction 4 of 2010 (Appointments to posts on salary levels 13 to 15), which made provision for the appointment of a person, on condition that such person submits an application for the issuing of a security clearance, of at least up to the level of secret.
2. The official has been issued with a security clearance at the level of Top Secret, with effect from 1 December 2016.