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Mr S J F Marais (DA) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

- (1) Whether, with reference to her reply to question 936 on 18 March 2022, the Inspector-General of the SA National Defence Force (SANDF) has completed the investigation referred to in her reply; if not, why not; if so, what steps have been taken to account for the money spent on SANDF and/or government property;
- (2) What are the requirements and regulations of the Public Finance Management Act, Act 1 of 1999 (PFMA), the Auditor-General of South Africa (AGSA) and the National Treasury with regard to the use of non-public funds;
- (3) whether all the requirements and regulations of the (a) Public Finance Management Act, Act 1 of 1999 (PFMA), (b) the Auditor-General of South Africa (AGSA) and (c) the National Treasury have been complied with; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) whether any funds from her department's annual budget are appropriated to any entity, military base, army support base garrison and/or beneficiary to commercialise military units and/or bases; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (a) how are the appropriated public funds accounted for and reported to (i) the AGSA, (ii) National Treasury and (iii) Parliament and (b) what are the further relevant details in this regard?

REPLY:

- (1) In as far as the refurbishment of Aphla Mess A Mess is concerned, the Board of Inquiry (BOI) Board No: 16/2022 established that all processes as prescribed were indeed followed.
- (2) The spending of Non-Public funds is regulated by Policy Log 17 Pamphlet 5 and 10 as enabled by the General Regulations Chapter IX and Section 82 (1)(o) of the Defence Act, Act 42 of 2002.
- (3) The prescripts in terms of the above Logistic Policy were complied with as required.
- (4) No public funds are utilised in the Commercialised Messes. All living-in members are entitled for messing from the commercialised messes.

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