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**2617. Mr M G P Lekota (Cope) to ask the Minister of Police:**

(a) What progress has been made with regard to the implementation of the new police reservist policy, (b) what is the total number of reservists who have been enlisted in terms of the policy and (c) of these newly enlisted reservists, how many are from the farming and/or rural areas of the country? NW2922E

**REPLY:**

1. Since the approval of the reservist policy, by the former Minister of Police in 2012, the implementation of the new reservist policy is still in progress. The approved policy for reservists does not cater only for farming or rural areas but it was developed to cover ALL the provinces of South Africa and to manage the command and control of reservists at police stations.
2. The total number of reservists who have been enlisted in terms of the policy:

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| **PROVINCE** | **ACTIVE RESERVISTS** |
| Gauteng | 3 182 |
| Western Cape | 1 649 |
| Eastern Cape | 1 191 |
| KwaZulu-Natal | 572 |
| Free State | 844 |
| Mpumalanga | 1 226 |
| North West | 934 |
| Northern Cape | 815 |
| Limpopo | 1 584 |
| **TOTAL** | **11 997** |

1. The response with regards to the total number of newly enlisted reservists that were employed from the farming and/or rural areas of the country, will be submitted in due course.