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**2644. Mr L Ramatlakane (ANC) to ask the Minister of Police:**

(1) With reference to the Marikana Commission of Inquiry Report and the number of cases in which persons were murdered in the run-up to the Marikana massacre, what steps have been taken by his department to bring the offenders to book;

(2) whether any progress has been made in these specified cases since the release of the specified report; if not, (a) why not and (b) what are the relevant details; if so, what (i) progress has been made with the investigation and (ii) departmental action is contemplated?

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**REPLY:**

1. Six (6) cases of murder have been investigated prior to the Marikana incident. Three (3) of these cases were in court on 4 August 2015 and are remanded to 22 October 2015 for the parties to study the contents of the released report. One (1) other case will be in court on 6 August 2015 and will also be remanded to 22 October 2015. Two (2) other cases are with the Director for Public Prosecutions for decision on Prosecution. There was an agreement between the Investigation Team, the Chairperson of the Farlam Commission and the Evidence Leaders that the investigation of all six cases be placed on hold until the release of the report by the Commission. The investigation of these six cases has now resumed.
2. Yes, progress has been made.
3. Not applicable
4. Not applicable
5. Four cases are on the court roll and two cases are with the Director of Public Prosecution of North West for a decision on prosecution.
6. The investigations conducted thus far, has not produced any evidence of misconduct on the part of any SAPS member, and therefore no departmental action is contemplated at this stage.