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**2684 Mr G R Davis (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

(1) Whether any action has been taken against any officials of the North West Department of Education that are implicated in the report of the Ministerial Task Team to Investigate Allegations into the Selling of posts of Educators by Members of Teacher Unions and Departmental Officials in Provincial Education Departments in relation to findings of the 2011 Nexus report that the SA Democratic Teachers’ Union irregularly influenced the appointment of educators to senior positions in the Bojanala district; if not, (a) why not and (b)

by what date will action be taken against the specified officials; if so, (i) what action has been taken against the officials, (ii) which officials were found to have been implicated and (iii) what was each official found guilty of;

(2) whether the Head of Department of the specified provincial department of education took action in relation to the findings of the specified report; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;

(3) whether she will make the report available to (a) the Portfolio Committee on Basic Education and/or (b) Mr G R Davis; if not, in each case, why not; if so by what date in each case? NW3175E

**ANSWER**

(1)

(a) The Department has advised the North West Provincial Department to institute legal action against the implicated individual with a view to determining whether the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act 12 of 2004 has been violated as well as to implement the recommendations of the NEXUS report.

 A progress report has been received from North West where one case has been investigated and finalised.

(b) (i) & (ii) The matter is still under investigation.

1. The North West Provincial Department has been requested to further investigate whether there are other officials involved in the appointment of the official alleged not to meet the requirements.
2. The Head of Department has been advised to implement the recommendations of the MTT report as well as the NEXUs report.
3. The Minister will make the report available to the Portfolio Committee on Basic Education as soon after she has received and analysed it.