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QUESTION 2788

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2788. M. Gen O S Terblanche (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:

- (1) Whether the allegations that big criminal syndicates are operating within Eskom at the moment are supported by intelligence gathered by the SA Police Service (SAPS); if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether any cases involving serious crimes that were allegedly committed during the recent illegal strikes were reported to the SAPS; if not; what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

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REPLY:

- (1) The Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation (DPCI) continues to receive information, relating to various criminal activities including those occurring at Eskom. The following syndicates have been identified:

Coal Theft Syndicate

- Four coal theft cases at court.
- Four accused arrested.

Eskom Conductor Cable Theft Syndicate

- Three cases at court.
- 14 accused arrested.

The Division: Crime Intelligence is currently collecting intelligence to identify criminal syndicates that are operating within and around Eskom, in support of the Division: Detective and Forensic Services and the DPCI.

- (2) During the recent Eskom illegal strike, various incidents were reported to the South African Police Service (SAPS), which led to several case dockets being registered. A total number of 310 cases were registered with the SAPS and 71 people were arrested.

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**MINISTER OF POLICE
GENERAL BH CELE, MP**

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