

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FOR WRITTEN REPLY**QUESTION 2860**

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2860. Prof C T Msimang (IFP) to ask the Minister of Police:

- (1) What number of persons who are repeat offenders of rhino poaching have been convicted on further known rhino poaching and/or related charges as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (2) what (a) total number of the specified repeat offenders (i) are (aa) on bail awaiting trial and/or (bb) in custody awaiting trial, (ii) have absconded while on bail and (iii) were granted amnesty and released while in custody awaiting trial or released on parole or some other amnesty while serving prison sentences?

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REPLY:

- (1) The number of persons who are repeat offenders of rhino poaching that have been convicted on further known rhino poaching and/or related charges, for the period 2022-04-01 to 2023-06-30, is reflected in the table below:

Province	Number
Eastern Cape	1
KwaZulu-Natal	3
Limpopo	8
Mpumalanga	2
Total	14

- (2) (a)(i)(aa)(bb)(ii)

For the period mentioned above, no repeat offenders were on bail awaiting trial, in custody awaiting trial or absconded while on bail.

- (2)(iii) The South African Police Service (SAPS) is not in a position to answer this part of the question. It is recommended that it be referred to the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development.

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Reply to question 2860 recommended/~~not recommended~~


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MINISTER OF POLICE
GENERAL BH CELE, MP

Date:

18/10/2023