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 **Memorandum from the Parliamentary Office**

**National Assembly : 2870**

Please find attached a response to Parliamentary Questionfor **written reply** asked by **Mr M M Chabangu (EFF) to the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy:**

**Mr. T Maqubela**

**DDG: Mineral and Petroleum Regulation**

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**Mr. Jacob Mbele**

**Director General: Department of Mineral Resources and Energy**

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**Mr. S.G Mantashe**

**Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy**

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**2870. Mr M M Chabangu (EFF) to ask the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy:**

What are the details of the recent measures that has been put in place to deter illegal mining activities in the Republic? NW3470E

**Reply:**

Several operations have been conducted jointly by the South Africa Police Services with officials of the Department. The South African police service is to launch the **Economic Infrastructure Task Team (EITT),** whose primary objective is to address the scourge of crimes within the non-ferrous metals, essential infrastructure, critical infrastructure, extortion, and illegal mining environments due to the negative impact these crimes have on the economy, security and growth of the country and society at large.