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**2873. Ms D Kohler (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:**

(1) How many SA Police Service (SAPS) officers in each province were charged with aiding an escapee (a) in the 2014-15 financial year and (b) from 1 April 2015 up to the latest specified date for which information is available;

(2) how many such cases against the specified SAPS officers have been (a) withdrawn and/or (b) are pending;

(3) how (a) many escapees did a SAPS officers assist in escaping and (b) did they assist the escapee in each specified case?

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**REPLY:**

(1)(a) and (b)

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| **Province** | **(1)(a)**  **2014-2015** | **(1)(b)**  **1 April – 30 June 2015** |
| Eastern Cape | 40 | 1 |
| Free State | 30 | 14 |
| Gauteng | 51 | 4 |
| KwaZulu-Natal | 34 | 16 |
| Limpopo | 4 | 2 |
| Mpumalanga | 44 | 10 |
| North West | 16 | 13 |
| Northern Cape | 6 | 3 |
| Western Cape | 102 | 15 |
| **Total** | **327** | **78** |

(2)(a) and (b)

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| **(2)(a)**  **Cases withdrawn** | **(2)(b)**  **Cases pending** |
| 1 | 0 |
| 0 | 3 |
| 10 | 3 |
| 8 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 |
| 3 | 0 |
| 6 | 1 |
| 0 | 0 |
| 11 | 13 |
| **39** | **20** |

(3)(a) and (b).

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| **Province** | **(3)(a) Escapees assisted by SAPS officers** | **(3)(b) How escapees were assisted by SAPS officers** |
| Eastern Cape | 106 | The members of the Service failed to comply with the existing governance, governing custody management. The prescripts regarding the safe and secure detention management of persons which are in SAPS custody were not complied with. The provisions of the National Plan to prevent escapes from and deaths in police custody (NCCF Instruction 16/2015) were not complied with. |
| Free State | 16 |
| Gauteng | 55 |
| KwaZulu-Natal | 63 |
| Limpopo | 4 |
| Mpumalanga | 13 |
| North West | 29 |
| Northern Cape | 58 |
| Western Cape | 64 |
| **Total** | **408** |