

**MINISTRY OF DEFENCE & MILITARY VETERANS**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**2928. Dr P J Groenewald (FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:†**

(1) (a) What is the total number of weapons of each kind and caliber and (b) how much ammunition in the SA National Defence Force (i) during the period (aa) 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016 and (bb) 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017 and (ii) since 1 April 2017 have been (aa) stolen and (bb) lost;

(2) whether any (a) prosecutions have been instituted in respect of the specified cases and (b) disciplinary steps have been taken; if not, why not; if so, (i) against how many persons steps were taken, (ii) for what violation and (iii) what were the steps in each case;

(3) whether she will issue a statement on the matter? NW3245E

**REPLY:**

**2928 (1) (a) (i) (aa) -** 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016 - Pistols

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| **Manufacture** | **Calibre** | **Number Lost** | **Number Stolen** |
| a | b | c | d |
| Z88 | 9mm | N/A | 3 |
| Star | 9mm | 1 | N/A |

**2928 (1) (a) (i) (aa) -** 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016 - Revolvers

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| **Manufacture** | **Calibre** | **Number Lost** | **Number Stolen** |
| a | b | c | d |
| Gun Stone | .38 (private weapon) | N/A | 1 |

**2928 (1) (a) (i) (aa) -** 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016 - Rifles

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| **Manufacture** | **Calibre** | **Number Lost** | **Number Stolen** |
| a | b | c | d |
| R4 | 5.6mm | N/A | 11 |

**2928 (1) (a) (i) (bb) -** 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017 - Pistols

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| **Manufacture** | **Calibre** | **Number Lost** | **Number Stolen** |
| a | b | c | d |
| Uzzi | 9mm | N/A | 3 |
| FN | 40/70mm | N/A | 2 |
| CZ 88 | 9mm | 1 | N/A |
| Star | 9mm | 1 | N/A |
| Z88 | 9mm | 6 | 3 |
| Pencil Flares | Pencil Flares | N/A | 253 |

**2928 (1) (a) (i) (bb) -** 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017 - Rifles

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| **Manufacture** | **Calibre** | **Number Lost** | **Number Stolen** |
| a | b | c | d |
| R4 | 5.65 | 5 | N/A |

**2928 (1) (a) (ii)** 1 April 2017 to 30 September 2017 - Pistols

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| **Manufacture** | **Calibre** | **Number Lost** | **Number Stolen** |
| a | b | c | d |
| Beretta PX4 Storm | 9mm | 1 (recovered  after negligent loss) | N/A |
| Glock | 9mm | 1 | N/A |

**2928 (1) (a) (ii)** 1 April 2017 to 30 September 2017 - Rifles

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| **Manufacture** | **Calibre** | **Number Lost** | **Number Stolen** |
| a | b | c | d |
| R4 | 5.65mm | N/A | 8 |
| R5 | 5.65mm | N/A | 2 |

**2928 (1) (b) (ii) (aa) -** 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016 - Ammunition

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| **Manufacture** | **Calibre** | **Number Lost** | **Number Stolen** |
| a | b | c | d |
| Armscor | 40/70mm | N/A | 16 rounds |
| Unknown | 19mm | 10 rounds | N/A |

**2928 (1) (b) (ii) -** 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017 - Ammunition

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| **Manufacture** | **Calibre** | **Number Lost** | **Number Stolen** |
| a | b | c | d |
| Unknown | 5.65mm | N/A | 13625 rounds |
| Exercise Hand grenade’s | Exercise Hand grenade’s | N/A | 2 x grenade’s |
| LMG | 7.62MM | N/A | 1311 rounds |

**2928 (1) (b) (ii) -** 1 April 2017 to 30 September 2017 - Ammunition

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| **Manufacture** | **Calibre** | **Number Lost** | **Number Stolen** |
| a | b | c | d |
| Unknown | 5.65mm | N/A | 59 rounds |
| Unknown | 9mm | N/A | 15 |

**2928 (2) (a) (b) (i) (ii) (iii)**

| Prosecution (**Not prosecuted why not**)  **2928 (2) (a)** | **Disciplinary Action**  **(No disciplinary action**  **why not**)  **2928 (2) (b)** | Action taken against how many members  **2928 (2) (b)**  **(i)** | Crime  **2928 (2)**  **(b)**  **(ii)** | Steps Taken  **2928 (2)**  **(b)**  **(iii)** |
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| a | b | c | d | e |
| Military Prosecution  (1x 9mm pistol) pending  for trial | N/A | 1 x SANDF member | Theft of Fire-Arm | Trial Pending |
| Military Prosecution  (6x R 4 rifles) pending  for trial | N/A | 4 x SANDF members | Theft of Fire-Arm | Trial Pending |
| Civilian Court prosecution  (2 x R 4 rifles) pending  for trial | N/A | 2 x SANDF members | Theft of Fire-Arm | Trial Pending |
| Civilian Court prosecution (3 x Uzzi’s and 2 x FN) Found guilty and received a suspended sentence | N/A | 2 x Civilians | Theft of Fire-Arm | Trail finalised |
| Military Prosecution  (1x 9mm pistol) pending  for trial | N/A | 1 x  SANDF member | Negligent  Loss of  Fire-arm | Trial Pending |
| Referred for decision to  Military Prosecution for decision to prosecute (1 x 9mm) | N/A | 1 x SANDF member | Theft of Fire-Arm | Decision from State Prosecutor pending |
| Referred for decision to  Military Prosecution for decision to prosecute (2 x R4) | N/A | 2 x SANDF member | Theft of Fire-Arm | Decision from State Prosecutor pending |
| Case under investigation (1 x  Z88) | N/A | 1 x SANDF member (suspect)  under investigation | Theft of Fire-Arm | Investiga­tion  pending |
| Case under investigation (7 x  R4) | N/A | 11 x SANDF members (suspects)  under investigation | Theft of Fire-Arm | Investiga­tion  pending |
| Case under investigation (1311  x 7.62 rounds) | N/A | 1 x SANDF members (suspect)  under investigation | Theft of Fire-Arm | Investiga­tion  pending |
| Military Trial pending Case  under investigation (1  x Glock) | N/A | 3 x SANDF members charged  under investigation | Theft of Fire-Arm | Trial  pending |
| Case referred to trial, case under investigation (1 x R5) | N/A | 1 x member charged | Theft of Fire-Arm | Trial  pending |

3. No