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**WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Mr C MacKenzie (DA) to ask the Minister of Communications:**

1. By which date will the SA Post Office situated in Columbine Avenue in Mondeor, Johannesburg, reopen to the public;
2. Whether her Department has taken any steps to secure the premises (a) from trespassers and (b) against vandalism, if not, in each case, why not; if so, what are the relevant details in each case? **NW1269E**

**REPLY:**

**I have been advised by SAPO as follows:**

1. The Post Office situated in Columbine Avenue in Mondeor, Johannesburg will re-open on 01 November 2019.
2. (a) The Department provides oversight over SAPO and therefore, is not responsible for securing SAPO’s premises. However, SAPO has assured the Department that it has taken steps to secure the premises from trespassers, in that SAPO’s Security and Investigation Unit contacted the local SAPS for assistance and will continue to monitor the situation.

(b) Palisade fencing has been placed and lockable doors locked. The side gate is locked with a chain and lock.

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**MINISTER**