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**QUESTION 3092**

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**3092. Mr T J Brauteseth (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:**

What is the (a) current status of the investigation into the alleged existence and activities of the Cato Manor Death Squad and (b) by what date does his department envisage the completion of specified investigation?

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**REPLY:**

(a) The status of the Cato Manor Investigation is that the cases are currently in the Durban High Court pending the determination of a trial date. The case was in court on 10 November 2017 and was then further remanded to 08 October 2018 due to the accused awaiting a separate Court process in their challenge of the racketeering charges authorized by the National Director of Public Prosecutions.

(b) The investigation was completed in 2012 and the accused appeared in Court on the 24 August 2012, after which the case was remanded to the High Court

One of the accused General Booysen then challenged the racketeering charge against him, the Court found in his favour , then the charges against him were dropped.

After the appointment of the new NDPP, Adv Shaun Abrahams, the charges were reinstated. General Booysen now with all the accused are challenging the racketeering charges, hence the case has been remanded to 08 October 2018 to allow that process to be concluded