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## **QUESTION 3734**

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## 3734. Ms N P Sonti (EFF) to ask the Minister of Police:

Whether a police station will be opened in Wonderkop, North West, in light of the high crime rate in Marikana; if not, why not; if so, (a) by what date will the police station open and (b) what are the details of the time frames that have been put in place in this regard?

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### REPLY:

(a)(b) The Wonderkop satellite police station was situated approximately seven kilometres from the main police station in Marikana on a Lonmin Mine owned facility. The satellite police station was shut down in 2012 during the mine unrest for safety reasons. The building, which was utilised by the South African Police Service (SAPS) is presently being utilised by the mining trade union AMCU as their Health and Safety structure. The area served by the Wonderkop satellite police station contributed approximately 6% of the reported crime in the Marikana policing precinct.

There are currently no plans in place to build a satellite police station or fully-fledged police station in the Wonderkop area. The area is currently being policed by the Marikana police station through Sector Policing. In addition to normal policing, operations are conducted at all hotspot areas where identified and emerging crime trends are addressed through an integrated approach including relevant specialised units.

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MINISTER OF POLICE GENERAL BH/CELE, MP

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