# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 3942**

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**(INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO. 42)**

**Mrs M O Clarke (DA) to ask the Minister of Health:**

(1) Whether his department monitors and/or maintains records of the number of patients awaiting surgery at all public hospitals in the Republic; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so,

(2) what (a) is the breakdown of the of patients awaiting surgery (i) nationally, (ii) in each province and (iii) in each public hospital, (b) is the average (i) length of the waiting list and (ii) waiting time at each public hospital and (c) are the reasons for delays at each public hospital;

(3) what are the details of the steps that his department plans to take to ensure that waiting list times are shortened? **NW4910E**

**REPLY:**

The National Department of Health does not have this information readily available, it is consulting with the provinces to provide the details in this regard. The full response will be furnished to the Honourable Member as soon as it has been received from the Provinces.

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