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**Mr C MacKenzie (DA) to ask the Minister of Telecommunications and Postal Services:**

Whether the disciplinary hearings that are being conducted against the departmental staff who are alleged to be involved in the Media Corner bid have been concluded; if not, what is the status of the specified hearings; if so, what (a) are the relevant details of the findings of the specified hearings in respect of each person, without naming them and (b) action has been taken against each person?

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**REPLY:**

No, only the disciplinary hearings involving two Deputy Directors-General (DDGs), and 1 Director have been concluded, and the PA of one the DDG’s.

1. The disciplinary hearings involving other staff members have been suspended pending the outcome of the inquiry by the Public Service Commission.
2. Both DDGs were found guilty in absentia of misconduct and a sanction of dismissal imposed.
3. The staff member at the level of Director was found guilty of misconduct and a suspension without pay for a period of two (2) months was imposed.
4. The PA of the one DDG was found not guilty

(b) (i) One DDG was dismissed on account of misconduct.

(ii) The other DDG resigned and prior to the finalisation of the hearing his resignation was accepted by the Minister

(iii) The implementation of the sanction against the Director has been suspended pending the outcome of the inquiry by the Public Service Commission.

(iv) No action has been taken against the other departmental staff members, as the hearings are suspended pending the outcome of the inquiry by the Public Service Commission.