

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FOR WRITTEN REPLY**QUESTION 4607**

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4607. Dr P J Groenewald (FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Police:

- (1) Whether, with reference to his reply to question 3717 on 8 November 2022, he is now in a position to indicate what (a) total number of cases where members of the SA Police Service (SAPS) were found guilty of (i) murder, (ii) rape and (iii) robbery were dealt with by his department and (b) punitive steps were taken in each case;
- (2) what total number of SAPS members were (a) arrested and (b) successfully prosecuted for the robberies;
- (3) whether he will make a statement on the matter?

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REPLY:

- (1)(a)(i)(ii)(iii)(b) The total number of cases where members of the South African Police Service (SAPS) were found guilty of murder, rape and robbery, were dealt with by the SAPS and punitive steps taken, in 2021/2022, is reflected in the table below:

	(a) Total number found guilty	(b) Punitive steps taken in each case
(i) Murder	11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eight members were dismissed. • Three members were suspended without salary for not more than two months. The members were charged with murder, however, in the departmental hearing, there was insufficient evidence for a murder conviction and they were found guilty of other charges, i.e. omitting to report or follow a certain procedure. Two of the cases have been sent back to the Provincial Commissioner for a review.
(ii) Rape	Six	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Six members were dismissed.
(iii) Robbery	Nine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Six members were dismissed. • Three members received written warnings. The members were charged with robbery, however, in the departmental hearing, there was insufficient evidence for a robbery conviction and they were found guilty of other misconduct, i.e. leaving their post without authorisation.

- (2)(a) A total number of 11 SAPS members have been arrested for the robberies.
- (2)(b) None of the 11 SAPS members were successfully prosecuted as yet:
- The cases against three members are still before court and remanded.
 - The cases against three members have been withdrawn.
 - The cases against five members are still under investigation.
- (3) The Minister will decide whether to make a statement, in this regard.

Reply to question 4607 recommended/~~not~~ recommended



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**MINISTER OF POLICE
GENERAL BH CELE, MP**

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