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**QUESTION 612**

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**612. Mr M K Montwedi (EFF) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development:**

By what date does she intend to finalise and settle the land claim lodged by the community of Morokweng village in the Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati District Municipality, who submitted their claim under the Barolong boo Maiketso Community Property Association?

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**THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, LAND REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT:**

Barolong Boo Maiketso lodged a land claim on the 11th December 1998, on 7 (seven) farms with a total of 87175.8062 hectares. To date the Commission on Restitution of Land Rights has settled a total of 45984.3105 hectares (which is inclusive of 2569.2962 hectares settled with financial compensation in lieu as of the land which was not restorable) to Barolong Boo Maiketso.

The acquisition of additional land towards settlement of this land claim is dependent on some of the landowners who are not disputing validity of the claim for acquisition of those specific farms.

Secondly, there are landowners who are disputing the validity of the land claim.

Therefore, the Land claim is being referred to the Land Claims Court for adjudication, and as such the Commission is unable to determine when the entire claim will be settled as this is dependent on the court processes.

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