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**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY QUESTION 702**

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**702. Mr H A Shembeni (EFF) to ask the Minister of Police:**

Whether, there are sufficient face masks for all the police officers; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what total number of face masks does each police officer get for a 12-hour shift?

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**REPLY:**

The needs forecast for masks to be utilised by members of the South African Police Service (SAPS), is a minimum, but not limited to three masks for a 12 hours shift, dependent on the situation. Up to date, the SAPS has procured a total of 24 356 800 surgical face masks and 260 000 filtering face piece masks. All the provinces and divisions have been issued with sufficient stock and a buffer stock, of five percent, is secured nationally, for contingencies. There is a continuous replenishment of Personal Protection Equipment (PPE’s) by the SAPS Division: Supply Chain Management, with a forecast of PPE requirement, up to 31 March 2021.

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