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| **PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA****NATIONAL ASSEMBLY** |

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION NO: 737**

**DATE OF QUESTION: 15 MARCH 2019**

**DATE OF SUBMISSION: 01 APRIL 2019**

**Adv T E Mulaudzi (EFF) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:**

What number of persons are currently in prison because of possession of marijuana in quantities under 10 grams? **NW860E**

**REPLY:**

The information regarding possession of marijuana in quantities is not captured on the Admission and Release System, however the below table depicts the total number of inmates incarcerated and detained for possession of marijuana.

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| **Number of Inmates incarcerated and detained for possession of marijuana** |
| Remand detainees | 651 |
| Sentenced offenders  | 390 |
| **Total**  | **1 041** |