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

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION NO: 83**

**DATE OF THE QUESTION: 09 FEBRUARY 2017**

**DATE OF SUBMISSION: 24 FEBUARY 2017**

**Mr J Selfe (DA) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:**

(1) (a) How many instances of physical abuse of inmates by wardens have been reported at the St Albans Prison in Port Elizabeth since 1 January 2014 to date and (b)(i) how many investigations into the cases were finalised and (ii) what was the outcome of each case; **NW87E**

**REPLY:**

St Albans Prison comprises of the following sections mentioned on the table below:

* St Albans Maximum
* St Albans Remand Detention
* St Albans Medium B

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| **ST ALBANS MAXIMUM** | | |
| **DATE/ YEAR** | **1(a) NUMBER OF ASSAULTS REPORTED** | **(b)(i)(ii) NUMBER OF CASES INVESTIGATES AND OUTCOME OF THE INVESTIGATIONS** |
| 2014 | 35 Cases reported | 32 x cases were not opened by victims therefore they were finalised  3 x cases opened with SAPS – Finalised |
| 2015 | 43 cases reported | 36x cases were not opened by victims therefore they were finalised  3x cases opened with SAPS – Finalised  4 x cases opened with SAPS but offender did not want to open a case – Finalised |
| 2016 | 11 cases reported | 9 x cases opened with SAPS – Finalised  1 x case - offender did not want to open a case- Finalised  1 x case opened with SAPS - Pending |
| 2017 AS OF 31 JANUARY | 1 case reported | 1 x case opened with SAPS in 2017 – Pending |
| **ST ALBANS REMAND DETENTION** | | |
| 2014 | 14 cases reported | 2x cases opened with SAPS – Finalised  5 x cases opened with SAPS – Pending  6 x cases reported but detainees did not open the case |
| 2015 | 35 cases reported | 4 x cases opened with SAPS – Finalised  1 x case opened with SAPS – Pending  30 x reported but not opened by detainees therefore finalised |
| 2016 | 11 cases reported | 7 x cases opened with SAPS – Finalised  3 x cases opened with SAPS - Pending  1 x case not opened by the Detainee |
| **ST ALBANS MEDIUM B** | | |
| 2014 | 34 cases reported | 8 x cases opened with SAPS – Finalised  8 x cases opened with SAPS – Pending  1 x case withdrawn by the Prosecutor – Finalised  17 x cases not opened by offenders |
| 2015 | 35 cases reported | 11 x cases opened with SAPS – Finalised  4 x cases opened with SAPS – Pending  20 x cases not opened by offenders therefore finalised |
| 2016 | 10 cases reported | 3 x cases opened with SAPS – Finalised  7 x cases not opened by offenders therefore finalised |
| 2017 | 1 case reported | 1 x case opened with SAPS - Pending |