**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO 8**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO 830

Inkosi R.N. Cebekhulu (IFP) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:**

(1) Whether, with regard to reports of trespassing and poaching on SA National Defence Force (SANDF) occupied land in Makhanda, which led to her department registering a project to construct perimeter fencing around the training area, the specified fence has been erected; if not, why not.

(2) If so, whether the perimeter fencing resulted in reduced reports of trespassing; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details.

(3) Whether the SANDF is involved in any collaborative anti-poaching efforts in the area with other departments; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

 **REPLY**

1. The Chief of Logistics registered and approved the project to build a perimeter fence around the training area because it falls under his responsibility, but it was unable to be executed due to lack of funding.

2. The project will be carried out depending on the availability of funds after it was unable to be executed owing to financial restrictions.

3. The SANDF is currently not involved in any collaborative anti-poaching efforts in the area with other departments due to roles and functions as well as boundary management.