

## NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FOR WRITTEN REPLYQUESTION 1530

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**1530. Mr A G Whitfield (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:**


With reference to the DNA backlog which stood at 143 795 cases as at August 2022, what is the (a) remaining backlog from the samples and (b) total current national DNA backlog of all other samples sent in after the ring-fenced figure?

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**REPLY:**

- (a) The historical backlog of 251 603 in Q2 2021/2022 was down managed to 857 in Q4 2022/2023. As on 2023-05-05 the status was at 738 and end of May 2023 was at 540.
- (b) The total current national DNA case exhibits [entries] that exceeded the Technical Indicator Description [TID] timeline was at 58 788 and end of May 2023 was at 55 891; as per the National Prosecuting Authority [NPA]: South African Police Service [SAPS] relationship to prioritize all case exhibit dependent of DNA report, 31 259 of 212 statements have been issued between Q2 2021/2022 and Q1 2023/2024 as on 2023-04-17.

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**GENERAL BH CELE, MP**

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