

## NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FOR WRITTEN REPLYQUESTION 778

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778. M. Gen O S Terblanche (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:

What is the total number of DNA case exhibits and samples were (a) contaminated, (b) lost, (c) stolen, and (d) degraded while in the custody of the SA Police Service (SAPS) (i) in each province, (ii) in the past five financial years and (bb) since 1 April 2023 up to the last specified date for which information is available?

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**REPLY:**

The South African Police Services (SAPS) Forensic Science Laboratory (FSL) Component has an established quality management system that is aligned to the International Organisation for Standardisation (ISO) standards, to regulate the processing of exhibit material that is submitted to the laboratory by its clients, from registration to finalisation.

(a)(b)(c)(d)(i)(ii)(aa)(bb) No exhibits have been contaminated, lost, stolen, and/or degraded, while in the custody of the SAPS' FSL, in the past five financial years.

Reply to question 778 recommended/not recommended

  
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Reply to question 778 approved/~~not approved~~.

  
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 MINISTER OF POLICE

Date: 