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MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 1956 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

A draft reply to the above-mentioned question asked by Mr G R Morgan (DA); is attached for your consideration.


DIRECTOR-GENERAL (Acting)

DATE: 24/8/10

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED


MS B R SONJICA, MP
MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

DATE: 27. 08. 2010

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO 1956

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1956. Mr G R Morgan (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs:

- (1) Whether, noting the Report of the Auditor General on an investigation into certain alleged procurement irregularities at the Department of Water Affairs, any similar investigation on procurement procedures for the time that a certain person (name furnished) spent as Director-General of her department will be instituted; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether any steps have been taken to act on the recommendations in the Auditor-General's report; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether any disciplinary action and criminal charges have been initiated against (a) the said person and (b) any other officials in the Department of Water Affairs based on the findings of the report;
- (4) what has been the full cost of the salary paid to the said person since her suspension on 21 July 2009?

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REPLY:

- (1) No, however the External Audit being conducted by the Auditor-General (AGSA) in terms of the regularity audit for the 2009/10 financial year is reviewing my Departments procurement procedures. The AGSA is also conducting a transversal performance audit on the use of consultants, contractors, agencies and outsource services.
- (2) Yes, the recommendations contained in the Auditor General's report dated 16 March 2010 have formed the basis for disciplinary charges against the Director-General.
- (3)(a) Refer to response in (2) above.
- (3)(b) No.
- (4) R1,3 m

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