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Department:
Trade, Industry and Competition
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO. 4858

Mr R W T Chance (DA) to asks the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition:

- (1) With regard to complaints lodged by the National Lotteries Commission (NLC) with professional bodies against professionals allegedly implicated in offences relating to lottery funds, what total number of complaints has the NLC lodged with professional bodies such as the (a) Legal Practice Council, (b) SA Institute of Chartered Accountants and (c) Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors where professionals were allegedly implicated in (i) fraud, (ii) corruption and/or any other offence relating to lottery funds;
- (2) what are the relevant details of the (a) names of individuals who are the subject of complaints, nature of each complaint and professional body with which it was lodged, (b)(i) list of complaints lodged with each body, (ii) date of each complaint and (iii) outcome of each complaint and (c) measures that were implemented to monitor the complaints after they were lodged;
- (3) whether his department has co-ordinated the lodging of the complaints with the Special Investigating Unit, SA Police Service, Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation and/or any other organisation involved in investigating the lottery; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NW5200E

REPLY:

(1)

The National Lotteries Commission (NLC) did not lodge any complaints with professional bodies against professionals allegedly implicated in offences relating to lottery funds. The complaints were lodged by the Special Investigating Unit (SIU).



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(2)

N/A

(3)

The Department did not coordinate the lodging of complaints with the Special Investigating Unit, the South African Police Service, the Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation, or any other institution involved in investigating matters related to the National Lottery.

Complaints and referrals to the relevant authorities were initiated by the SIU as part of its investigative processes. In addition, the NLC referred matters arising from its own forensic investigations to the South African Police Service for criminal investigation and continues to cooperate with law enforcement agencies by providing information and supporting documentation where required.

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