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Oral Reply

3. Ms B M van Minnen to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

(a) How many confiscated weapons have been destroyed in 2025 and (b) why is weapon destruction reportedly carried out exclusively at a single facility?

THE MINISTER OF POLICE OVERSIGHT AND COMMUNITY SAFETY WAS INFORMED AS FOLLOWS:

The reply of the South African Police Service (SAPS):

3. (a) 2269 confiscated weapons were destroyed in 2025.

(b) In compliance with Head Office Directive, referenced 27/5/2/1 and dated 21 July 2014, all firearms are to be transported to the designated facility in Silverton, Pretoria, for destruction. The process is undertaken in accordance with prescribed procedures to ensure full adherence to regulatory and legal requirements.
