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Mr M S F de Freitas (DA) to ask the Minister of Tourism:

(a)(i) On what date and (ii) how was the National Registrar of Tourist Guides appointed, (b) what are the details of other candidates who were available to be appointed as Registrar, (c) what criteria were used to appoint the Registrar, (d) why was the incumbent chosen as Registrar, (e) on what date (i) did the term of the current Registrar commence and (ii) will the term end and (f) what remuneration, infrastructure and facilities are provided for the Registrar? NW1322E

Reply:

(a)(i) and (ii) Ms Morongoe Ramphela, the National Registrar of Tourist Guides was appointed on 01 July 2017 by the Minister of Tourism and gazetted accordingly as per notice 768 of 2017.

(b) Not applicable. This is a designation and not an appointment that requires applications

(c) Minister is empowered to designate an official of the department to serve as a Registrar of Tourist Guides in terms of Section 48 (1) of the Tourism Act., no 3 of 2014

(d) Section 48 (1) of the Tourism Act, no. 3 of 2014 states that the Minister must appoint a suitably qualified officer in the Department as the National Registrar and publish his or her name in the Government Gazette. There is a greater alignment between the Branch Tourism Sector Support Services, and the advancement of Tourist Guides' development, promotion and governance of their work, hence the designation of the DDG thereof.

(e) (i) 01 July 2017 (ii) Not applicable

(f) No additional remuneration infrastructure and facilities for the Registrar as it is a designation of an official. However, the Directorate: Tourist Guiding Management is responsible for the implementation of the guiding mandate with access to all the necessary infrastructure and facilities provided to all staff in the Department.