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## NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

# **QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY:**

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# "Mr G R Krumbock (DA) to ask the Minister of Tourism:

(a) What reasons were given by operators in the hospitality industry for cancelling their Tourism Grading Council of South Africa (TGCSA) levy in the 2013-14 financial year and (b) does he intend to scrap the levy to obtain a TGCSA grading; if so, what is his target date to implement this?"

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## **REPLY:**

- (a) Accommodation establishments do not pay levies for being graded but published grading fees. The reasons cited for cancellations are the perceived lack of benefits associated with being graded.
- (b) There is no intention to scrap grading fees. However, the reviewing of grading fees for Exempted Micro Enterprises (EMEs) is a matter under consideration.