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1043. Ms N R Mashabela (EFF) to ask the Minister of Tourism:

With reference to her reply to question 5575 on 7 November 2025, wherein she indicated that the tour operating licences process was under review and redesign, what (a) is the current contingency plan to allow tour operators who have applied for renewal of licenses to continue operating whilst their applications are being processed and (b) total amount is charged as an official tariff for fine currently, as tour operators report that they are charged about R3 500 in fines?

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REPLY:

The Department of Tourism continues to actively participate alongside the Department of Transport in the Red Tape Reduction initiatives led by the Presidency, with a specific focus on policy advocacy to remove tour-operating licensing barriers. A report with recommendations on the review and redesign has been developed for consideration by the Department of Transport.

- (a) Regarding the current contingency plan to allow tour operators who have applied for renewal of licenses to continue operating whilst their applications are being processed, we request that the Honourable Member refer this question to the Minister of Transport, as the regulatory authority mandated by law to deal with applications for tour operating licenses.
- (b) The Question on the total amount currently being charged as an official tariff for fines, we request that the Honourable Member refer this question to the Minister of Transport, which is the regulatory authority that decides on fines being levied.

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