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3513. Mr S R Moodley (MK) to ask the Minister of Tourism:

- (1) What (a) is the date on which the Tourism Board will be finally constituted, (b) are the reasons that this process has taken longer than initially projected and (c) concrete steps have been taken to expedite it;
- (2) (a) who is responsible for the delays in establishing the Tourism Board and (b) what accountability mechanism should be in place to ensure that this does not happen again in the future;
- (3) what (a) are the projected long-term consequences for both the (i) tourism sector and (ii) communities due to the delays in constituting the Tourism Board and (b) strategic intervention measures have been put in place to address potential job losses and economic downturns as a result;
- (4) what (a) has been the impact of the delays on existing investments and/or funding opportunities for tourism development and (b) projects are currently on hold due to the fact that the Tourism Board is not yet constituted?

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REPLY:

- (1) (a) The process to constitute the new South African Tourism (SAT) Board will be finalised by 31 July 2026, which is the date on which the newly appointed Board will be gazetted, following Cabinet consideration and concurrence on 28 July 2026.
- (1)(b)(c) The process has taken longer than initially projected due to the need to complete all governance-required steps, including interviews, competency assessments, verification

processes, and the preparation of the Cabinet Memorandum. These steps are essential to ensure compliance with the Tourism Act and to protect the integrity of the appointment process.

(2)(a)(b) No single individual is responsible for the delays. The time was required for the proper interview process, verification, and due diligence.

(3)(a)(b) None

(4)(a)(b) No delays.

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